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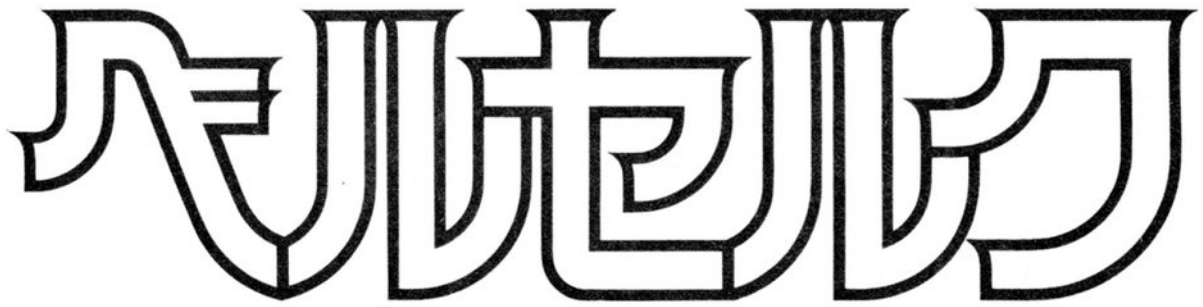
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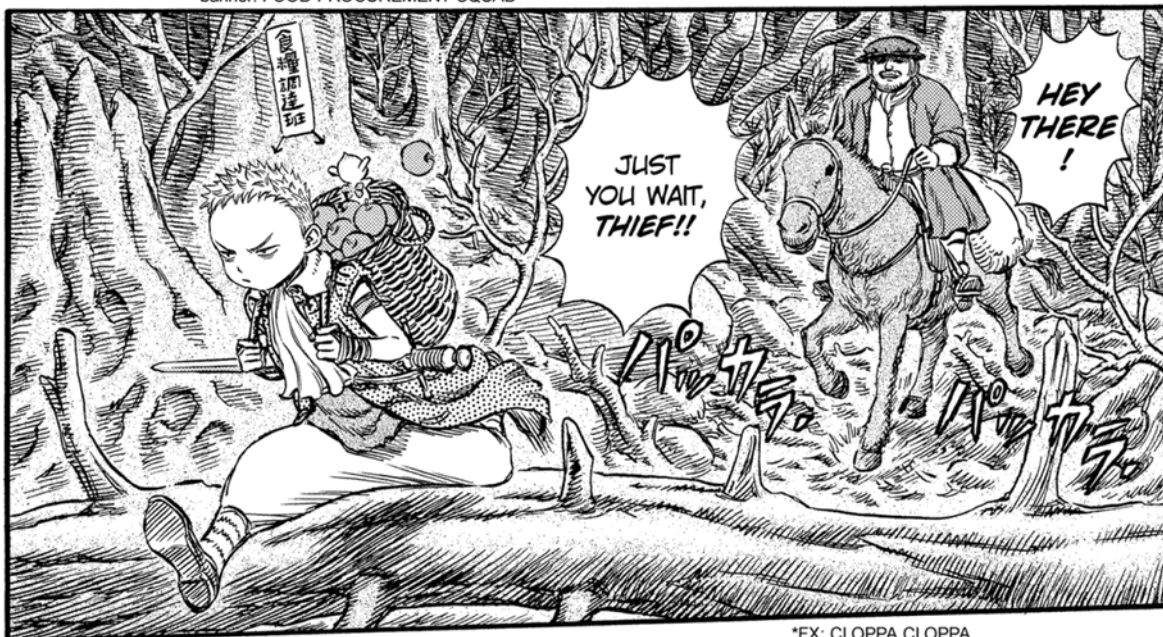
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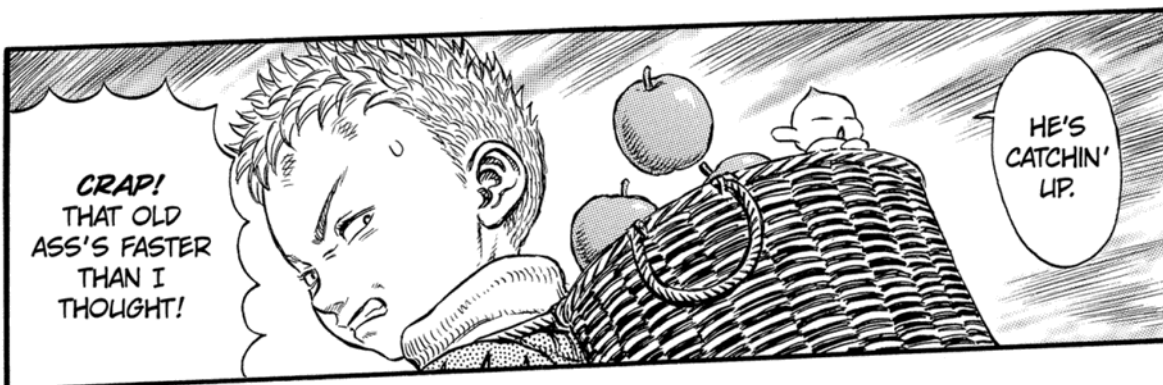


*FX: JUMP

*banner: FOOD PROCUREMENT SQUAD



*FX: CLOPPA CLOPPA



*FX: MHRRRN

*FX: SCATTER

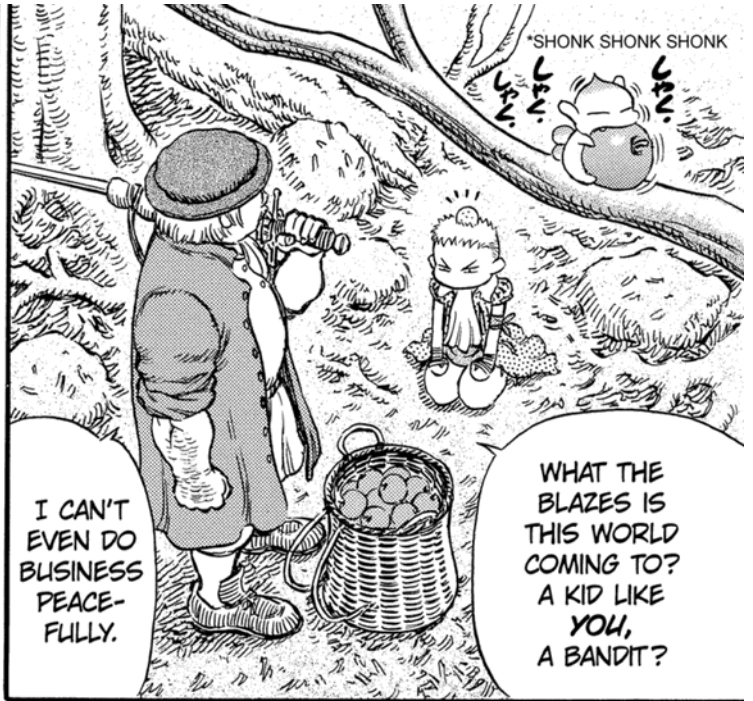
*FX: SPROING





HERE.

*FX: TOSS



*SHONK SHONK SHONK

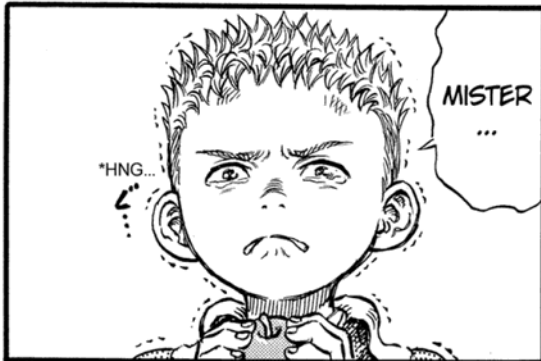
I CAN'T
EVEN DO
BUSINESS
PEACE-
FULLY.

WHAT THE
BLAZES IS
THIS WORLD
COMING TO?
A KID LIKE
YOU,
A BANDIT?



MISTER
...

*FX: PAP



*HNG...

MISTER
...



JUST
KEEP
QUIET
AND
TAKE IT.

I KNOW
WHAT IT'S
LIKE, A KID
LIKE YOU
MAKIN' IT
ON HIS
OWN.



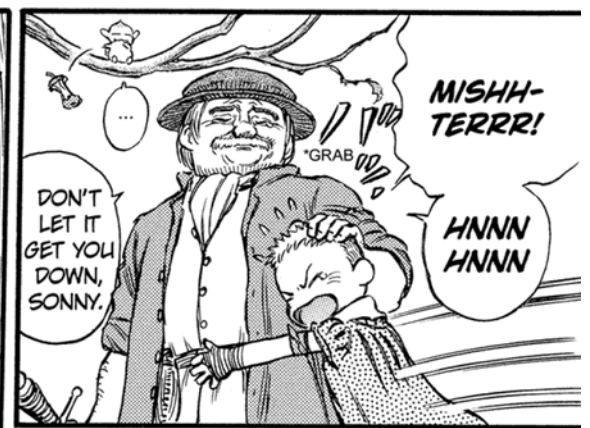
--DOP!!

*HYAH

せい!

*GEFF

*WHUMP



MISHH-
TERRR!

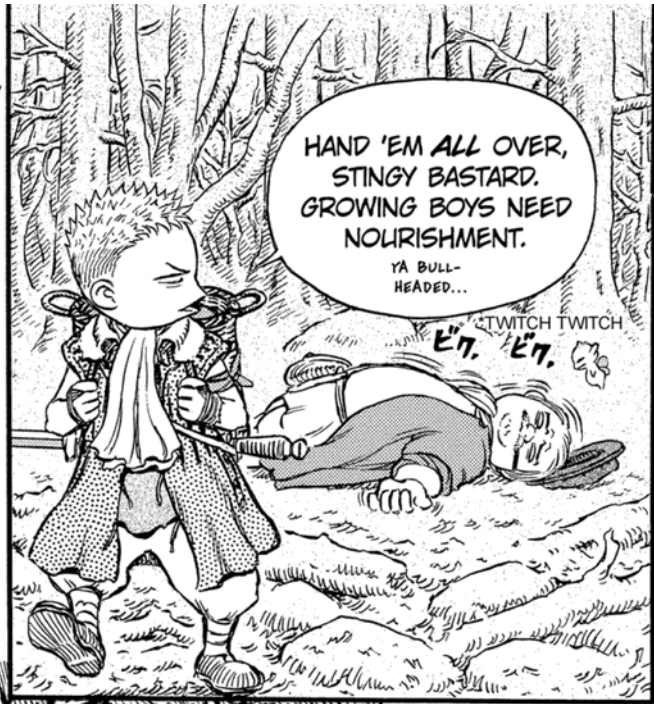
DON'T
LET IT
GET YOU
DOWN,
SONNY.

*GRAB

HNNN
HNNN



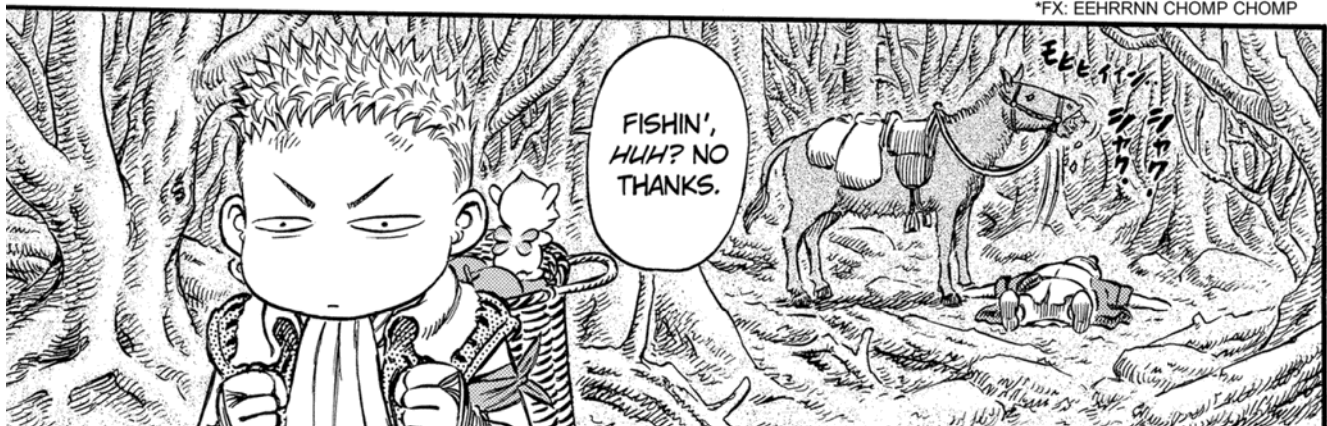
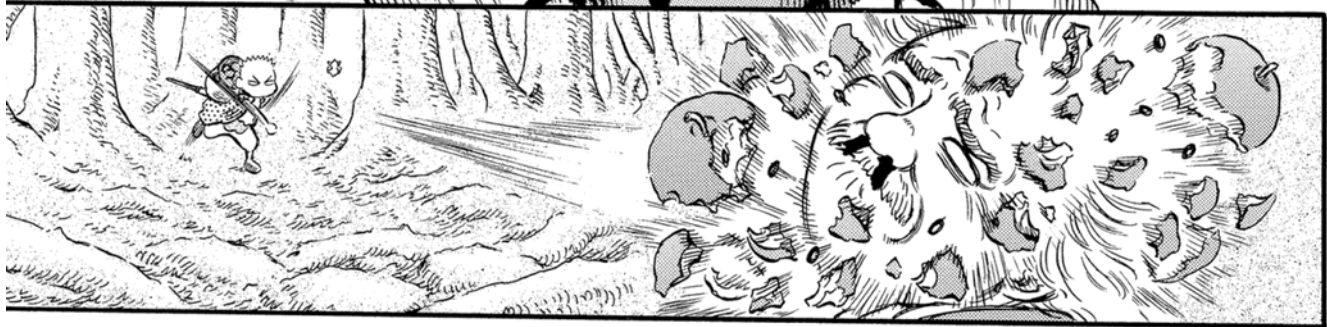
ISI--



I'LL TIE
YOU UP
AND TOSS
YOU IN THE
RIVER!!



YOU WON'T
GET AWAY
WITH THIS,
YOU LITTLE
BRAAAAT!!



*FX: EEHRRNN CHOMP CHOMP



AHHH, SHIT!
HOW'M I
GONNA LAND
A HIT ON
GUTS?

MY
GLOVES'RE
WORN AND
MY JOINTS
ACHE.

THAT'LL BE
TOUGH WITH
YOUR SKILLS
AND HIM BEIN'
NEARLY A
MONSTER AND
ALL.



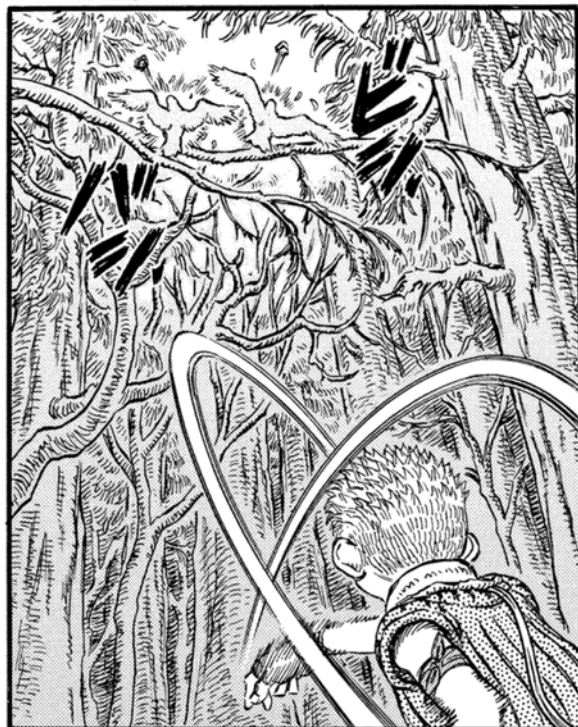
V'YOU
TRIED
THROWIN'
STONES?
LIKE
BEFORE?

IT'S
MEANING-
LESS IF
IT AIN'T
SWORD-
PLAY!

*FX: SHNK SHNK

*FX: WHOP

*FX: WHIP



YEAH,
WELL
...

BUT WHEN
IT COMES TO
STONES, YOU
REALLY ARE
GOOD.

*FX: FLAP FLAP

*FX: COOO



I'VE
SURVIVED
'CAUSE OF
THESE AND
MY WITS.

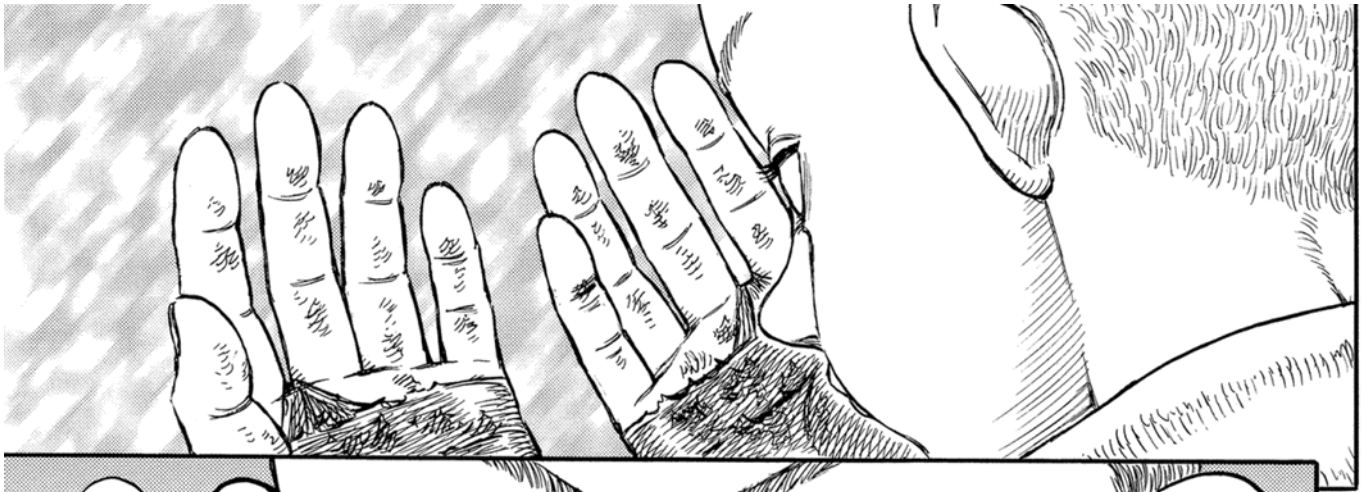
AND YOUR
IMPUDENCE
AND
DEPRAVITY
...

THERE'S
NO WAY
I CAN
STAND UP
TO AN
ADULT IN
A FAIR
FIGHT.



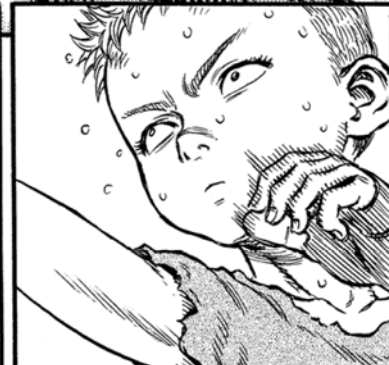
TWO-HANDED
THROWIN'.
NOW THAT'S
SKILL.

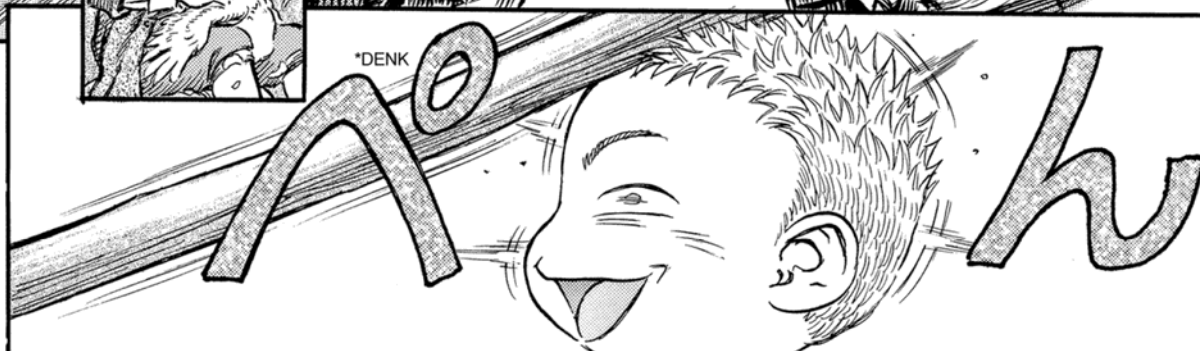
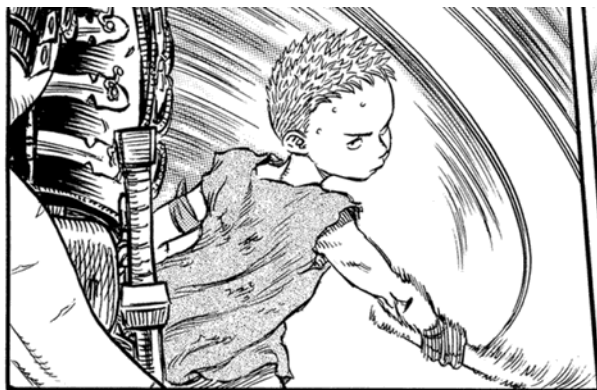
GOT
SOME
MEAT!
BIG HAUL
TODAY.

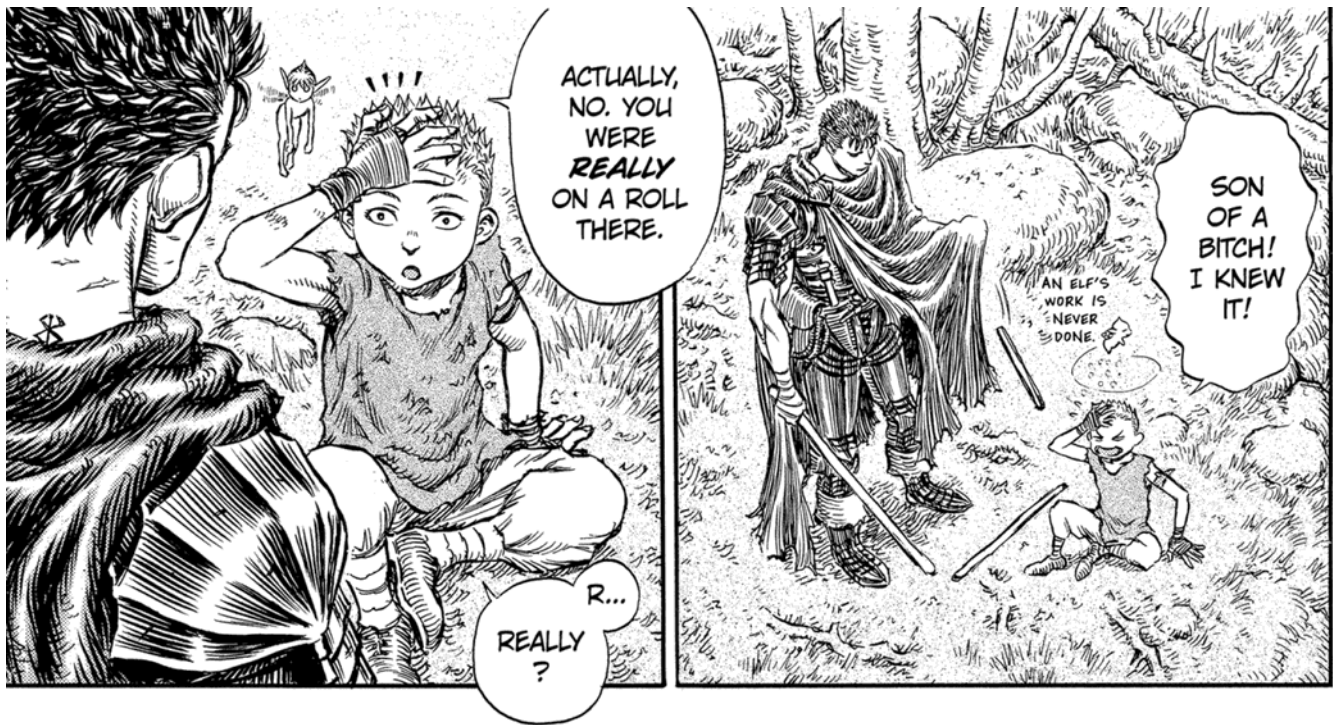


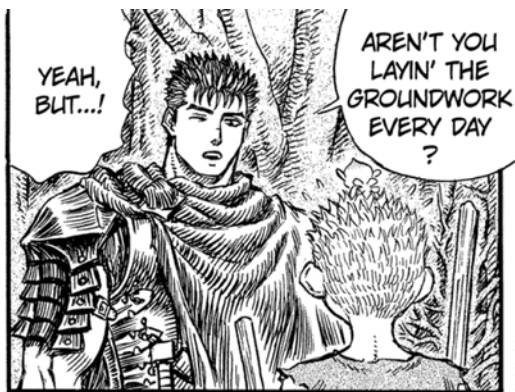
*FX: CLENCH

*FX: ZHAAAAAH



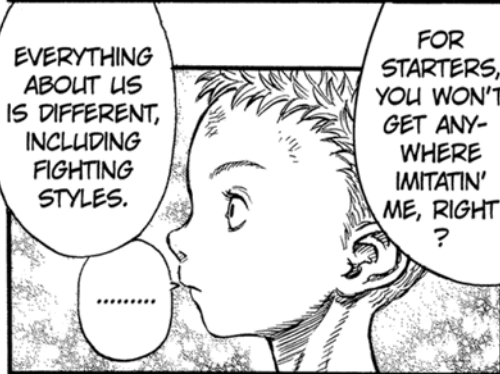






YEAH,
BUT...!

AREN'T YOU
LAYIN' THE
GROUNDWORK
EVERY DAY
?



EVERYTHING
ABOUT US
IS DIFFERENT,
INCLUDING
FIGHTING
STYLES.

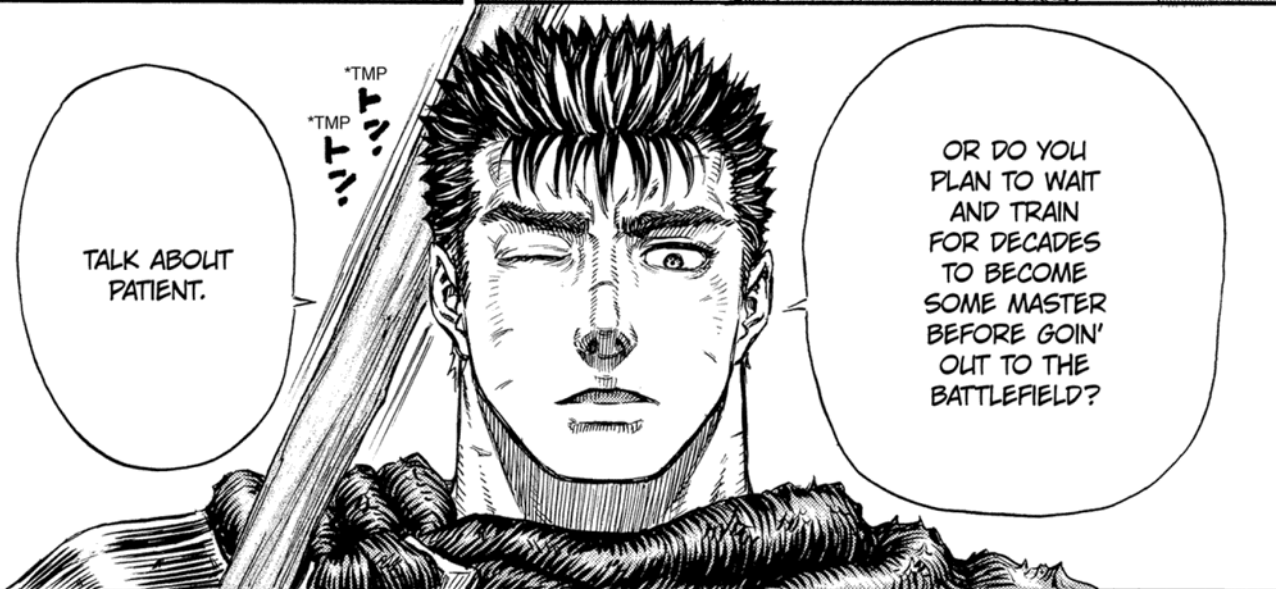
FOR
STARTERS,
YOU WON'T
GET ANY-
WHERE
IMITATIN'
ME, RIGHT
?



YOU SURE
ABOUT A
NOVICE LIKE
ME LEARNIN'
THESE
KINDS OF
IMPROVISED
TACTICS?

AIN'T TRAININ'
ABOUT PRACTICIN'
BASICS FOR A
LONG TIME
BEFORE LEARNIN'
TECHNIQUES
AND STUFF?

THEN HOW
'BOUT THE
TRADITIONAL
SCHOOL OF ELF
DIMENSION
STYLE?



TALK ABOUT
PATIENT.

*TMP
T!!
*TMP
T!!

OR DO YOU
PLAN TO WAIT
AND TRAIN
FOR DECADES
TO BECOME
SOME MASTER
BEFORE GOIN'
OUT TO THE
BATTLEFIELD?



IN
THAT
CASE
...

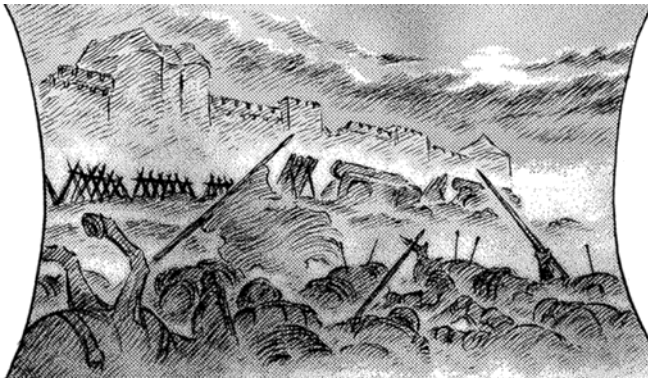
...ALL YOU
CAN DO
IS WORK
WITH WHAT
YOU'VE
CURRENTLY
GOT.



**YOU
BET
YOUR
ASS I
DON'T
!!**

Y...

YOU DON'T JUST HAVE ONE OPPONENT, AND THERE'S ARROWS AND CANNONBALLS FLYIN' AROUND. YOU CAN'T SURVIVE ONLY ON SWORD SKILLS. THAT SAID, IT AIN'T UNCOMMON FOR SOME HALF-ASSED MASTER TO GET SWARMED AND KILLED BY SOME GANG WANTIN' TO GET FAMOUS.



BESIDES, A BATTLEFIELD'S DIFFERENT FROM EXHIBITION GAMES.

ISN'T THAT...

...HOW YOU'VE MADE IT THIS FAR?

I TOLD YOU ALREADY. STRAIN WHAT FEW WITS YOU HAVE AND THINK FOR YOURSELF.

THEN, HOW DO YOU...

THAT WAS COOOOLD.

ON THAT NOTE, ELF DIMENSION STYLE IS ONE OF FORCE, MAN TO MAN...







WOULD YOU MIND JOINING ME IN GATHERING FIREWOOD ?



RATHER KIND OF YOU.



FEH!



*FX: ZHAAAAAH

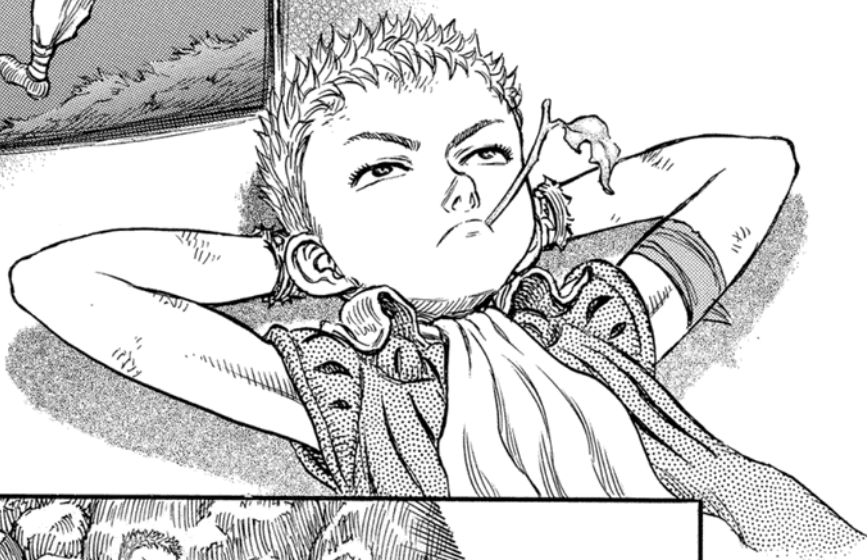
...YOU
WON'T
EVER
DO 'EM!

IF YOU
WON'T DO
THINGS
WHEN YOU
CAN...

YOU
AREN'T
READY
YET...!

ISIDRO,
STOP
THIS!

FAREWELL!!



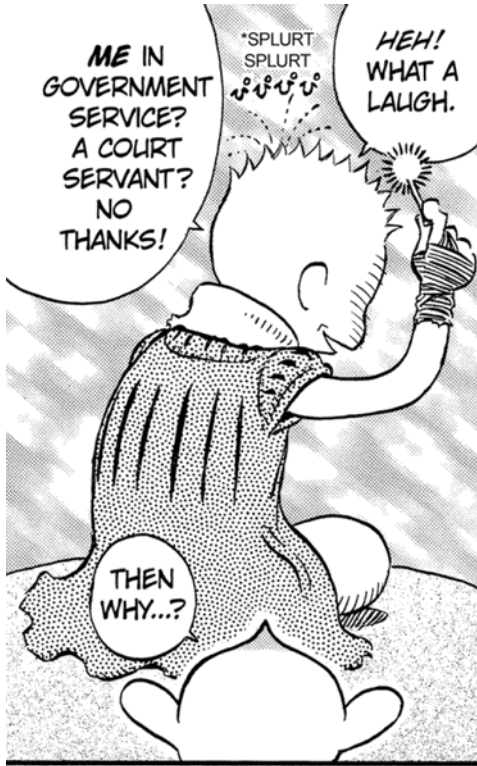
...ON A
BATTLEFIELD
SINCE THE
TIME I RAN
OUT ON THE
VILLAGE.

THINKIN'
ABOUT IT,
MAYBE I'VE
BEEN...



I'LL BE
THE ONE
WHO USES
THEM!!

IT WAS
CARELESS
OF ME TO
RELY ON
OTHERS!



ME IN
GOVERNMENT
SERVICE?
A COURT
SERVANT?
NO
THANKS!

*SPLURT
SPLURT
ぷぷぷ

HEH!
WHAT A
LAUGH.

THEN
WHY...?



HOW
PRETENTIOUS
FOR A
GREENHORN.

'DRO.

IN THE FIRST PLACE,
JUST WHATTA YOU
PLAN TO DO ONCE
YOU LEARN THE
SWORD FROM ME?
GOVERNMENT SERVICE
OR SOMETHIN'?

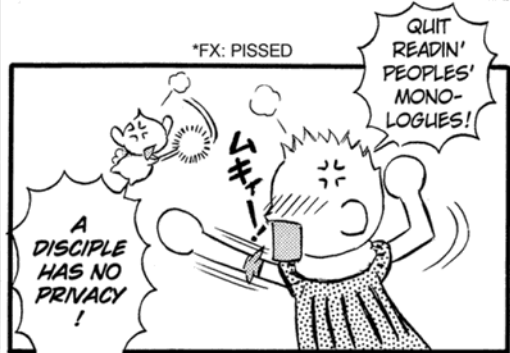
I...I
LOST...?



GO ON, RELY.
AS YOUR
MASTER, I'LL
SPOIL YOU
PLENTY.

THERE'S
NO NEED
TO BE SO
OBS-
TINATE...

COME,
LEAP INTO
THESE ARMS,
MY SON.



*FX: PISSED

QUIT
READIN'
PEOPLES'
MONO-
LOGUES!

A
DISCIPLE
HAS NO
PRIVACY
!



...OR RISIN' UP
IN SOCIETY!!
WHAT I'M
AFTER IS...

LISTEN UP!
WHAT I'M AFTER
AIN'T AS PETTY AS
COURT SERVICE...



'DRO'S (CURRENT) PLAN

*DAZZLE

ULTIMATE

...ULTIMATE
SWORDSMAN
!!!

...BEIN'
THE...

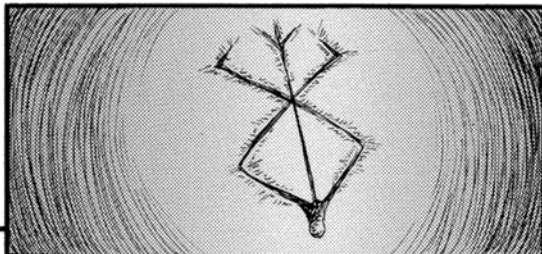
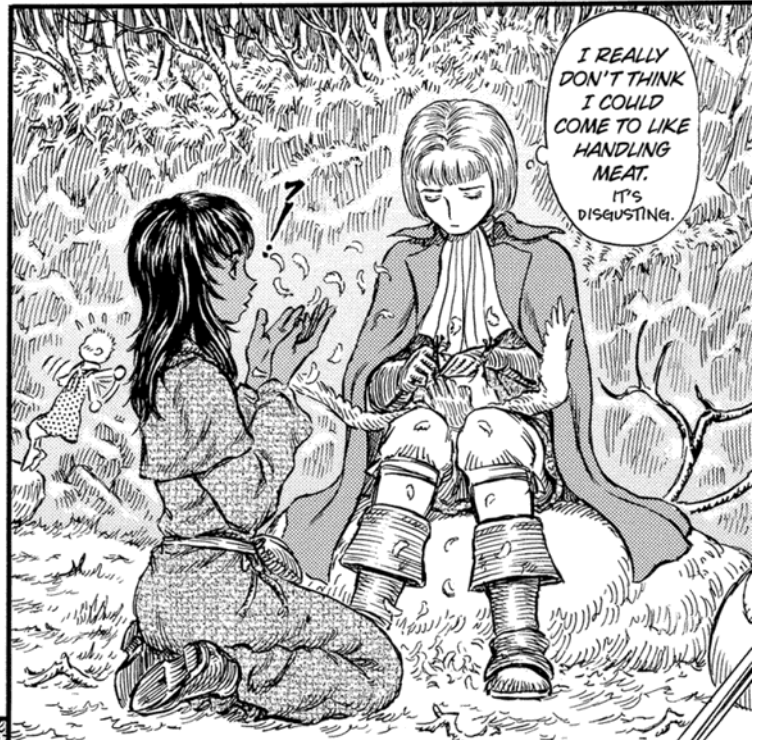
*YEAHH!





*FX: TWITCH

*FX: WHEWWW





LET'S GET
STARTED.



UH
OH.
THESE
ARE
RATHER
DAMP.

*FX: HYNN



YOU GOT US
ALONE SO
YOU COULD
SETTLE
THE SCORE,
RIGHT?

DON'T
PLAY
DUMB.

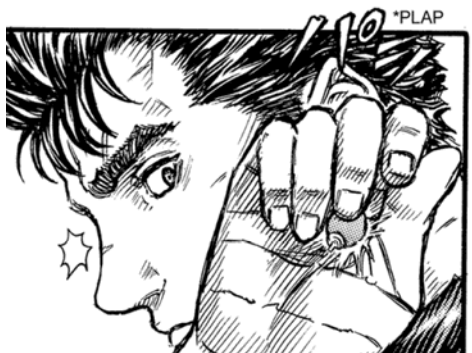


WHAT
DO YOU
MEAN?



IF YOU'RE
NOT IN THE
MOOD, I'M
LEAVIN'.

SUDDENLY
YOU'RE
SENILE...



*PLAP



*SPIP

EH.



I MERELY THOUGHT
I WOULD DEEPEN MY
FRIENDSHIP WITH YOU...
THAT I WOULD BE
PERFECTLY FRANK.

MY, MY, WHAT A
HOTHEADED FELLOW.

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING
?

WHAA
?



...I AM
THINKING
HOW NICE
IT WOULD
BE IF
YOU DIED.

TO BE
PERFECTLY
FRANK...



THERE'S
THAT FACE
AGAIN,
FINALLY.

HEH!

*FX: POK



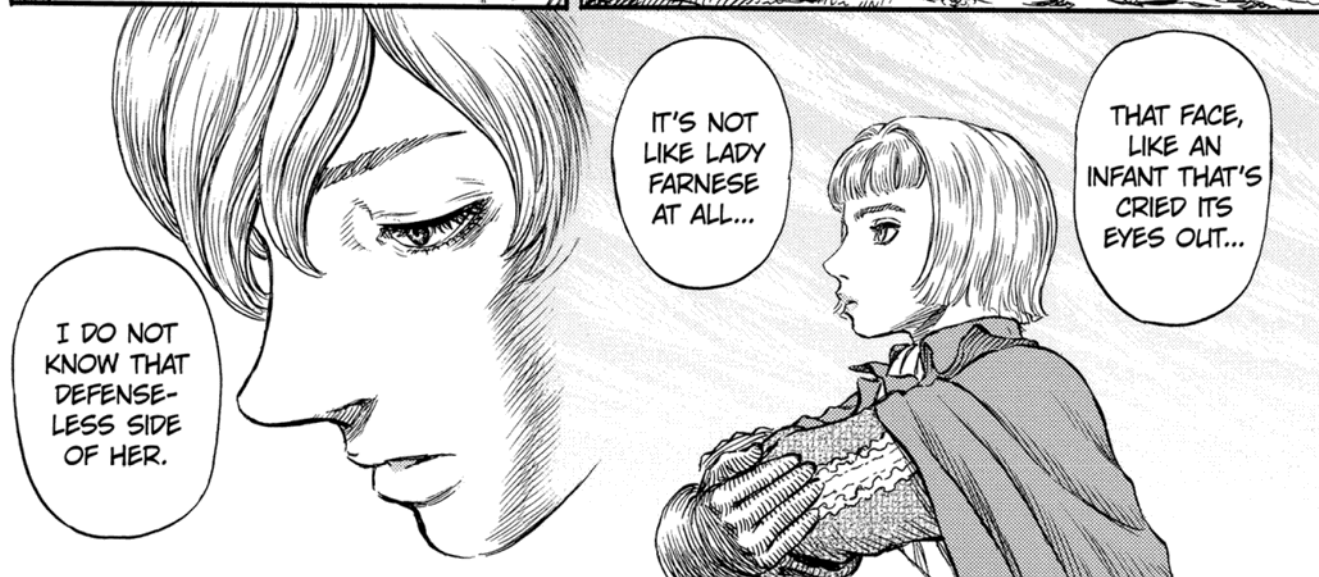
...THIS
IS WHAT
SHE
HERSELF
WISHES.

HOW-
EVER...

IF I COULD,
I WOULD
LIKE TO
MAKE HER
ABANDON
THIS
RECKLESS
JOURNEY
AT ONCE.



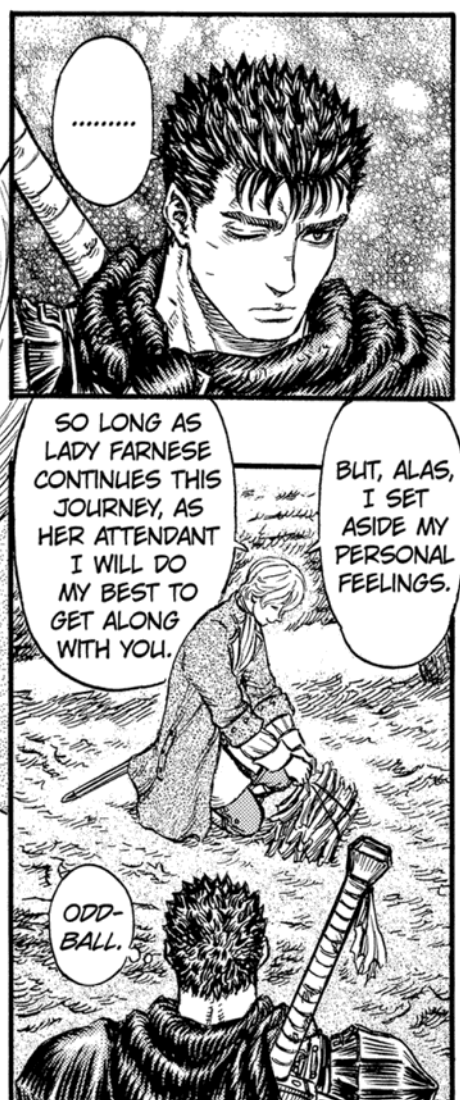
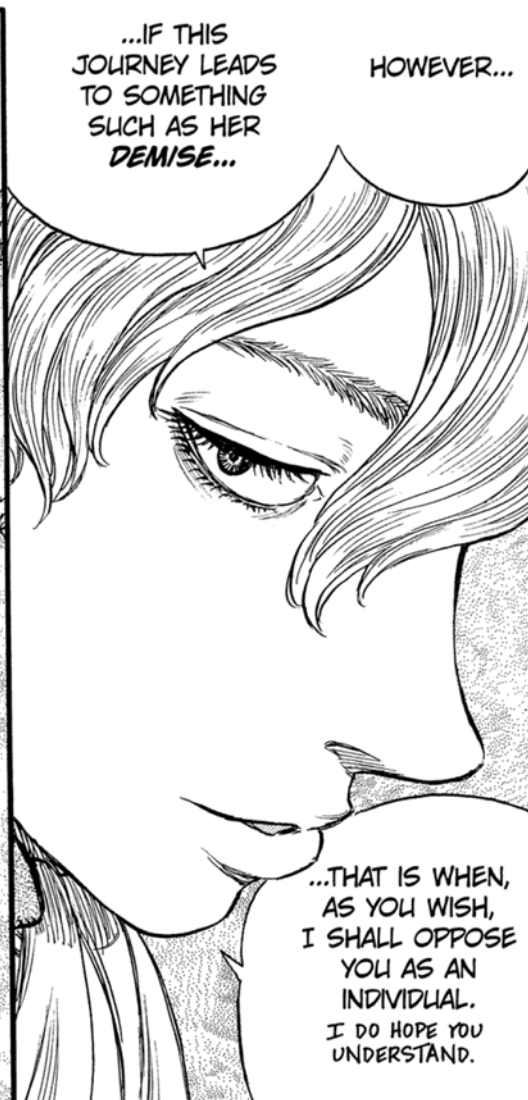
BY GOING
ALONG WITH
YOU, LADY
FARNESE IS
EXPOSED
TO DANGER.

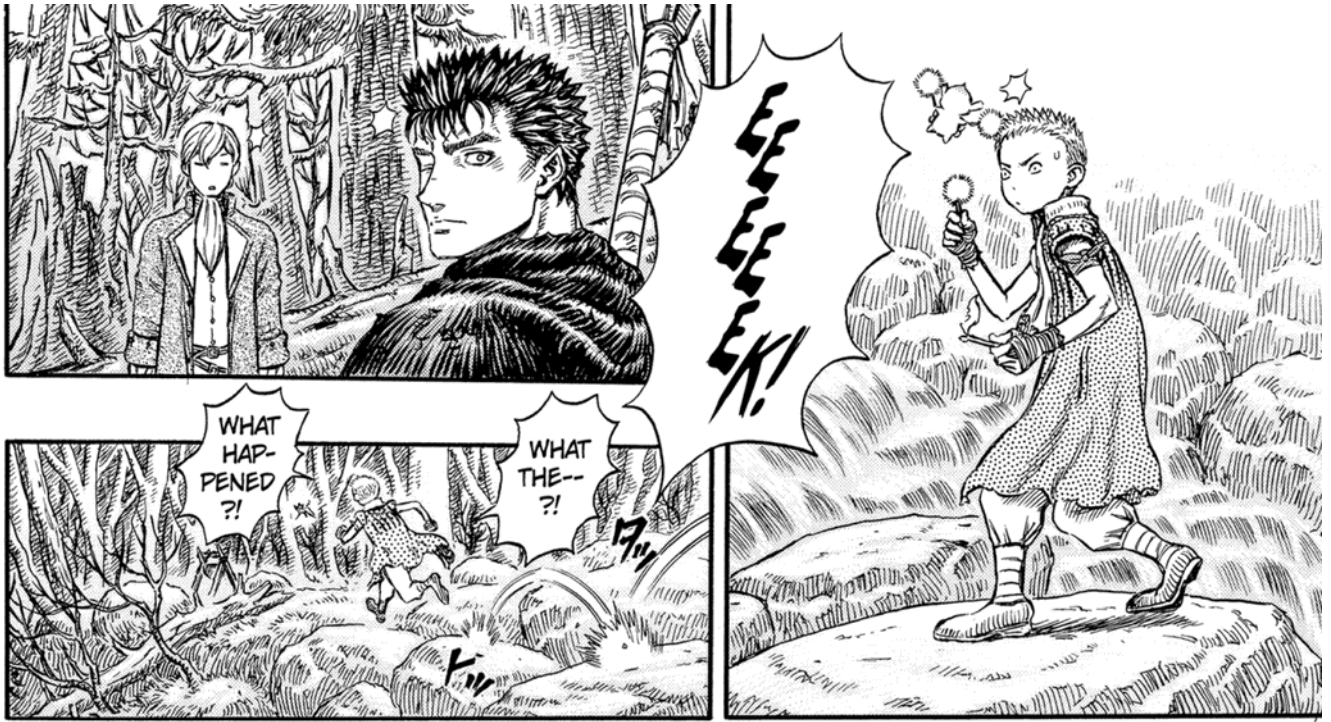


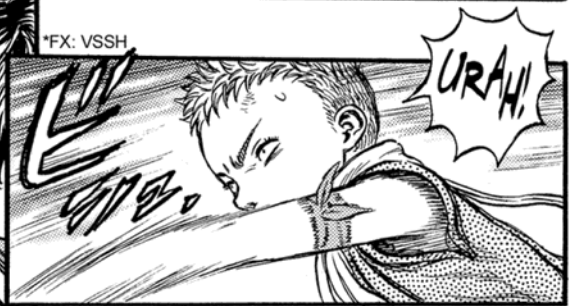
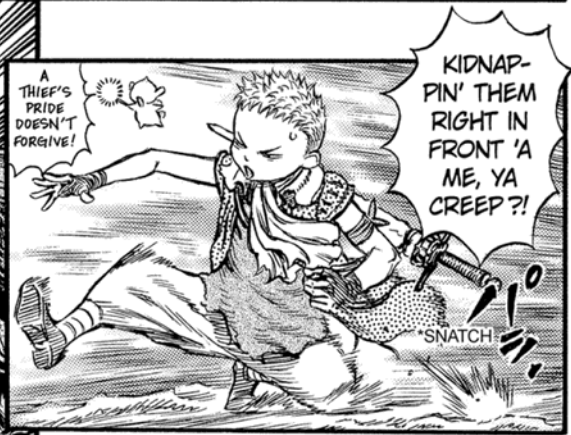
I DO NOT
KNOW THAT
DEFENSE-
LESS
SIDE
OF HER.

IT'S NOT
LIKE LADY
FARNESE
AT ALL...

THAT FACE,
LIKE AN
INFANT THAT'S
CRIED ITS
EYES OUT...







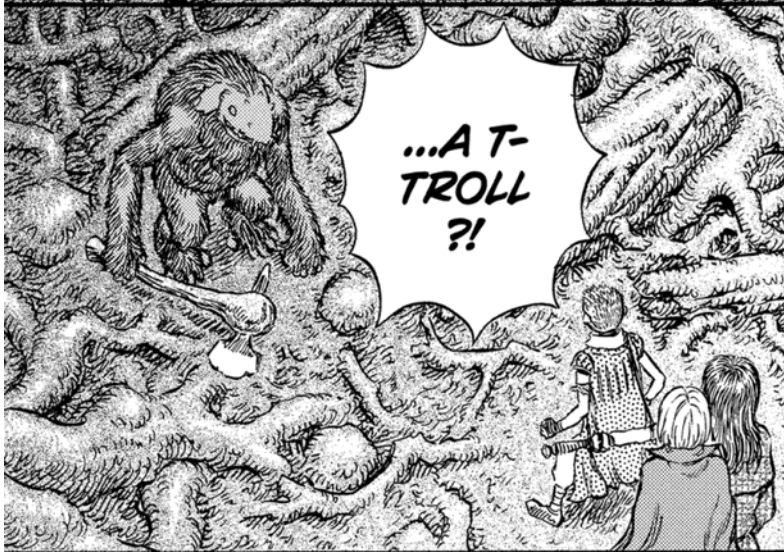




WHAT
IS THAT
THING...?!

WHOA!

IGHH



...A T-
TROLL
?!



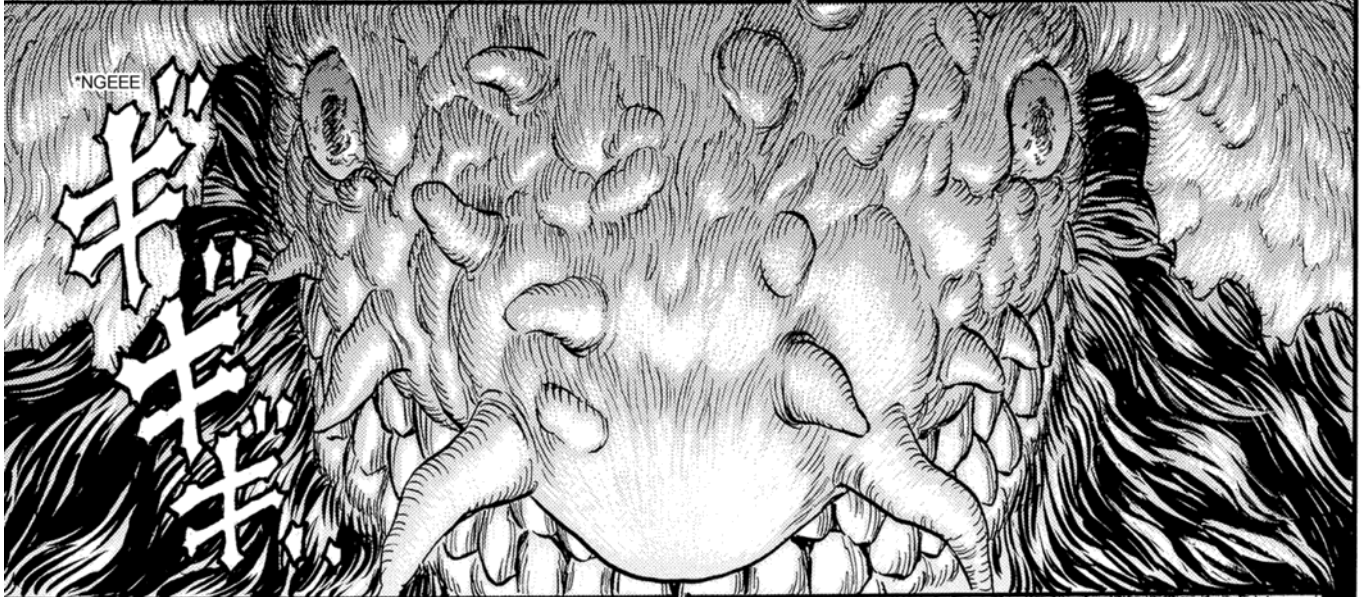
IT'S
TROLLS.

BUT IT
AIN'T
HUMANS
UP
THERE.



...THAT'S
...

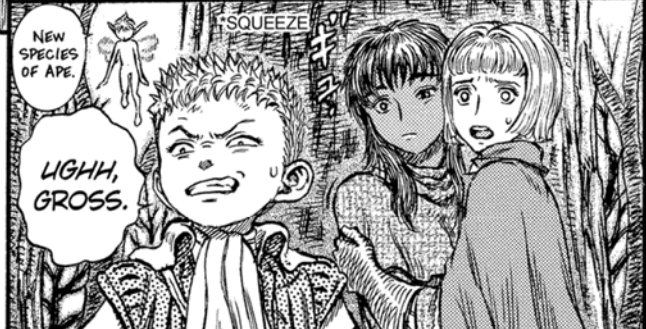
YOU
MEAN...



*NGEEE



JAK



NEW
SPECIES
OF APE.

UGHH,
GROSS.

SQUEEZE



*FX: SNATCH





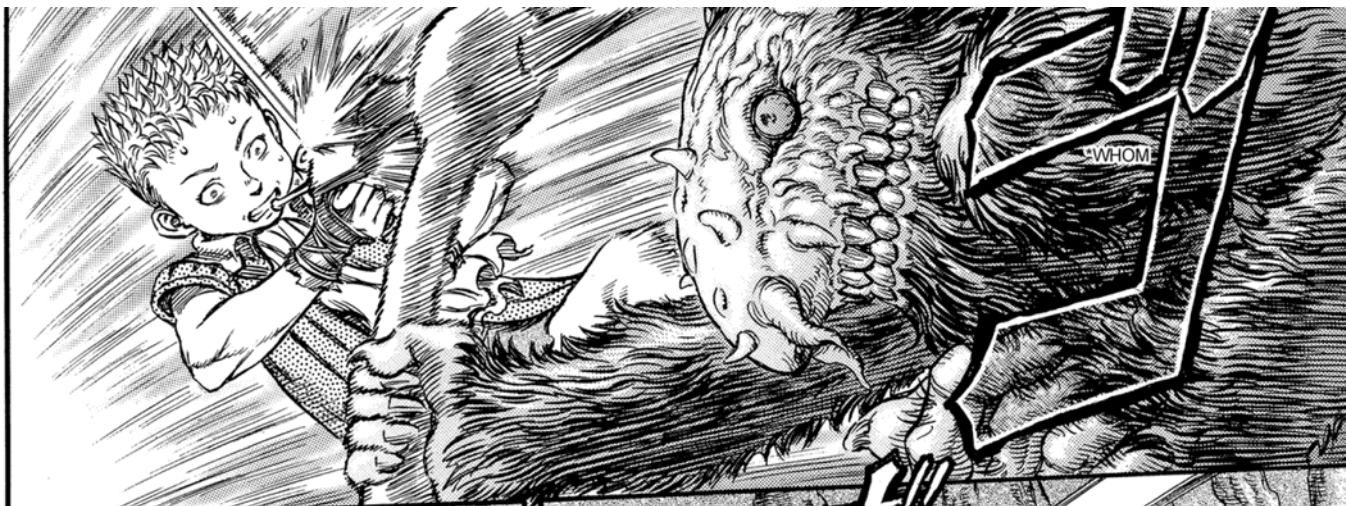
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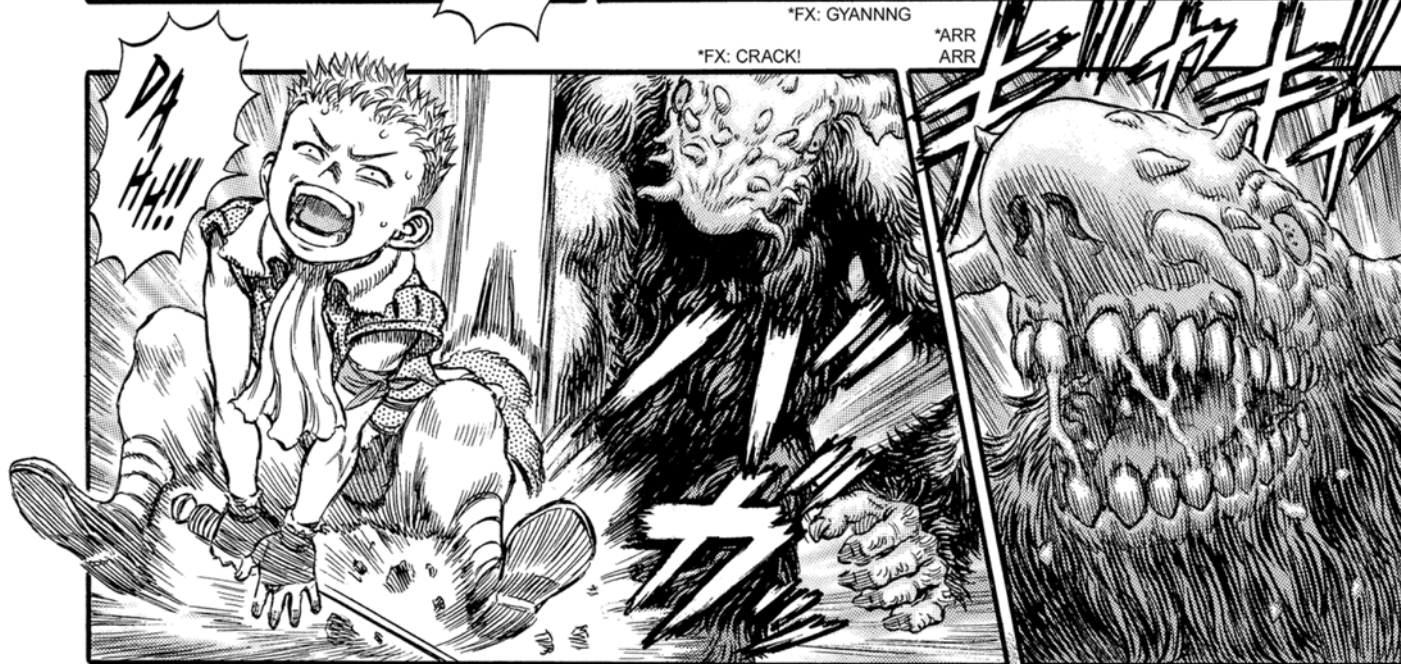




*FX: GYANNING

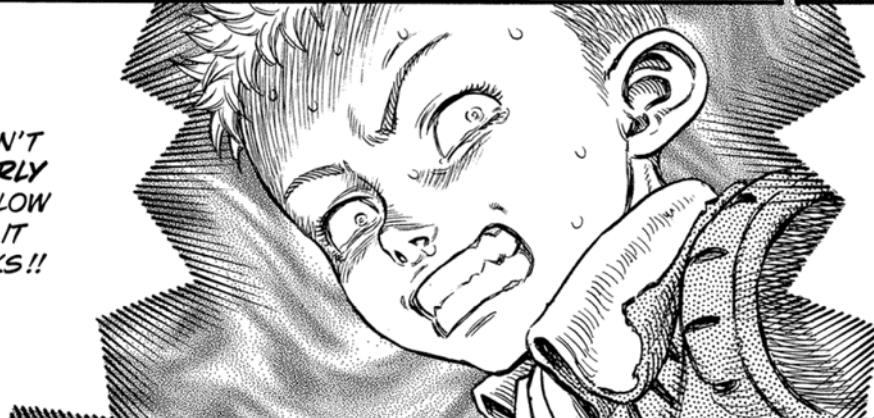
*FX: CRACK!

*ARR
ARR

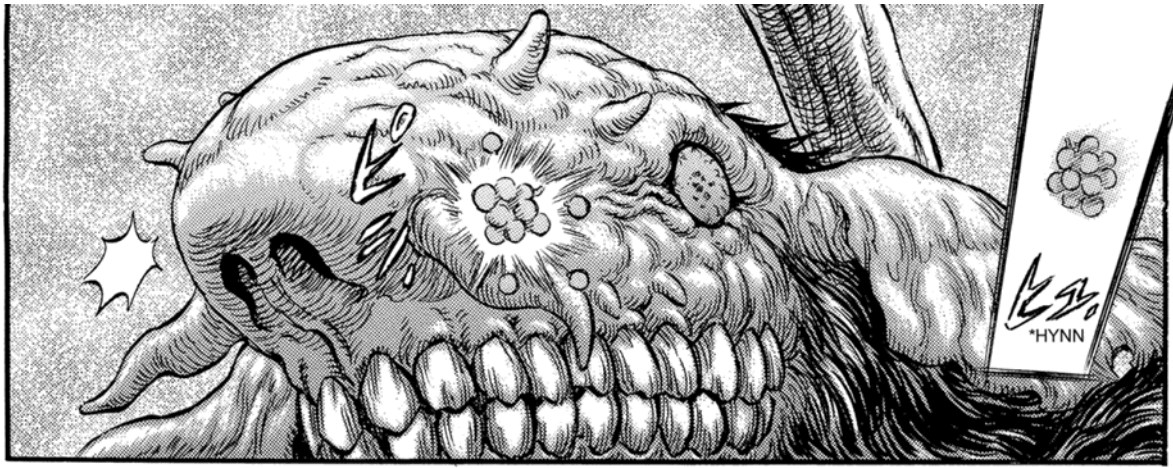


IT AIN'T
NEARLY
AS SLOW
AS IT
LOOKS!!

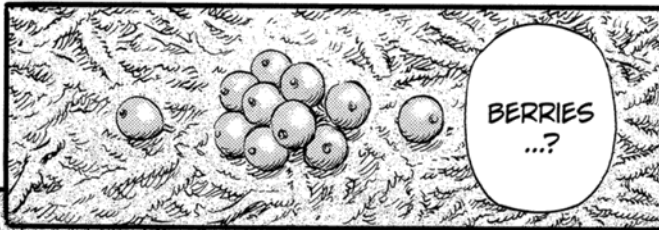
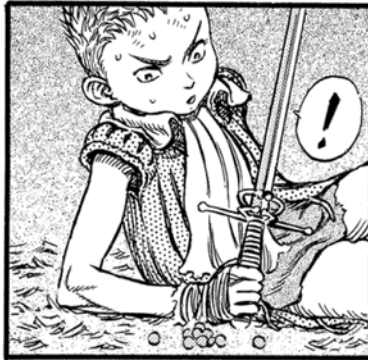
WHAT
THE
HELL?!

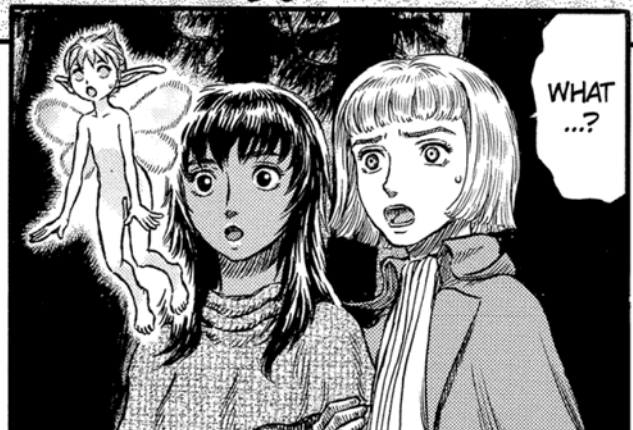
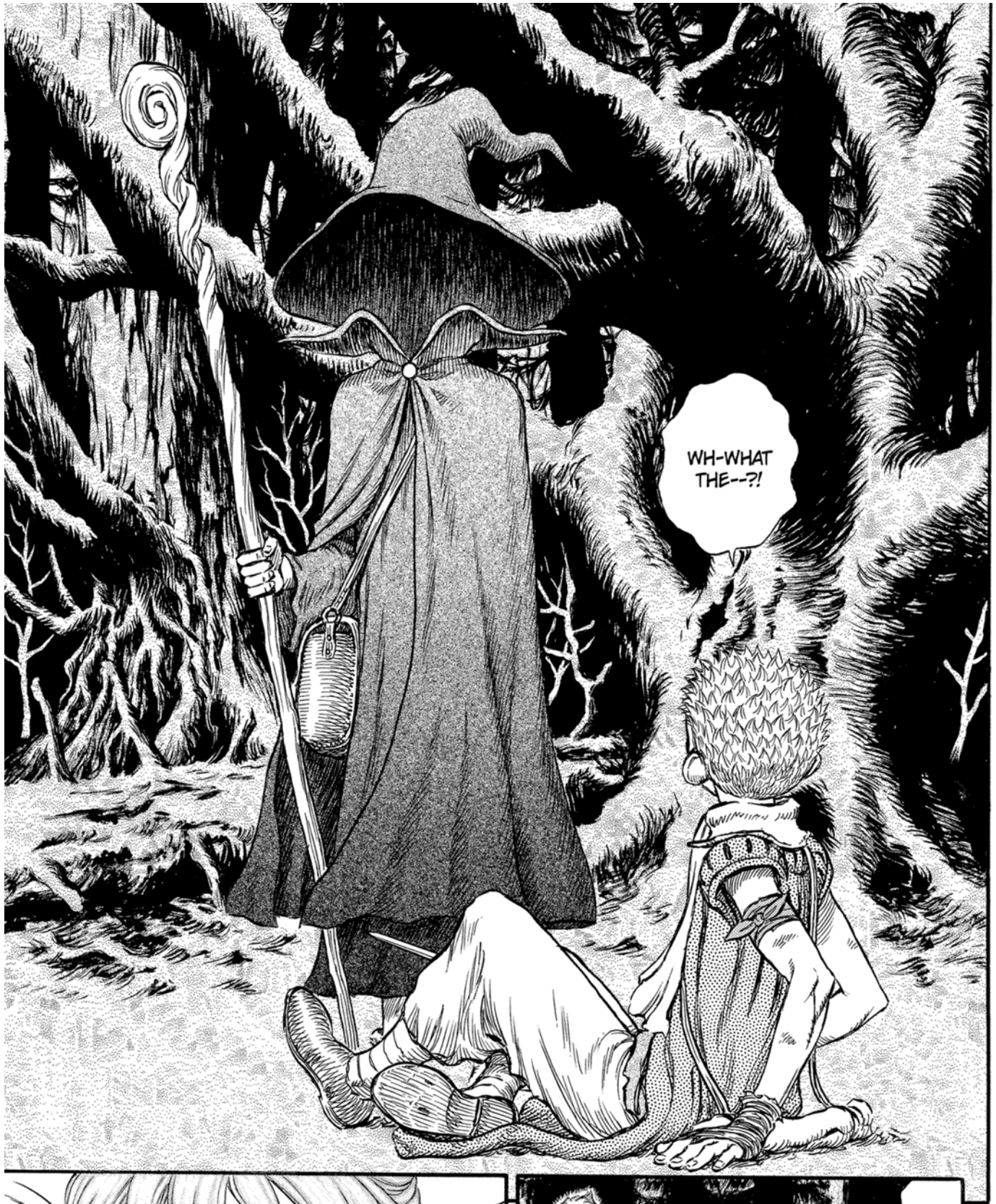


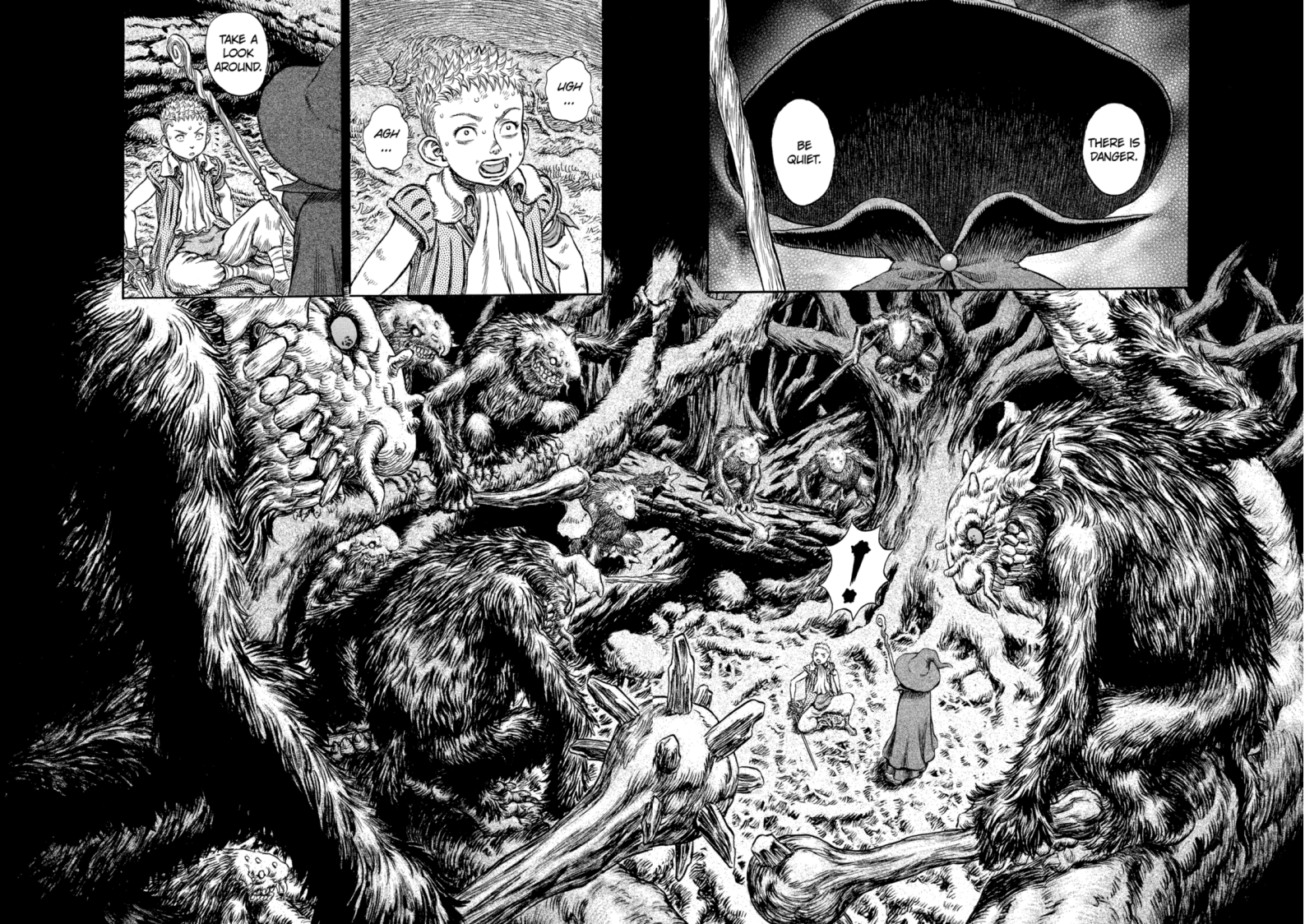


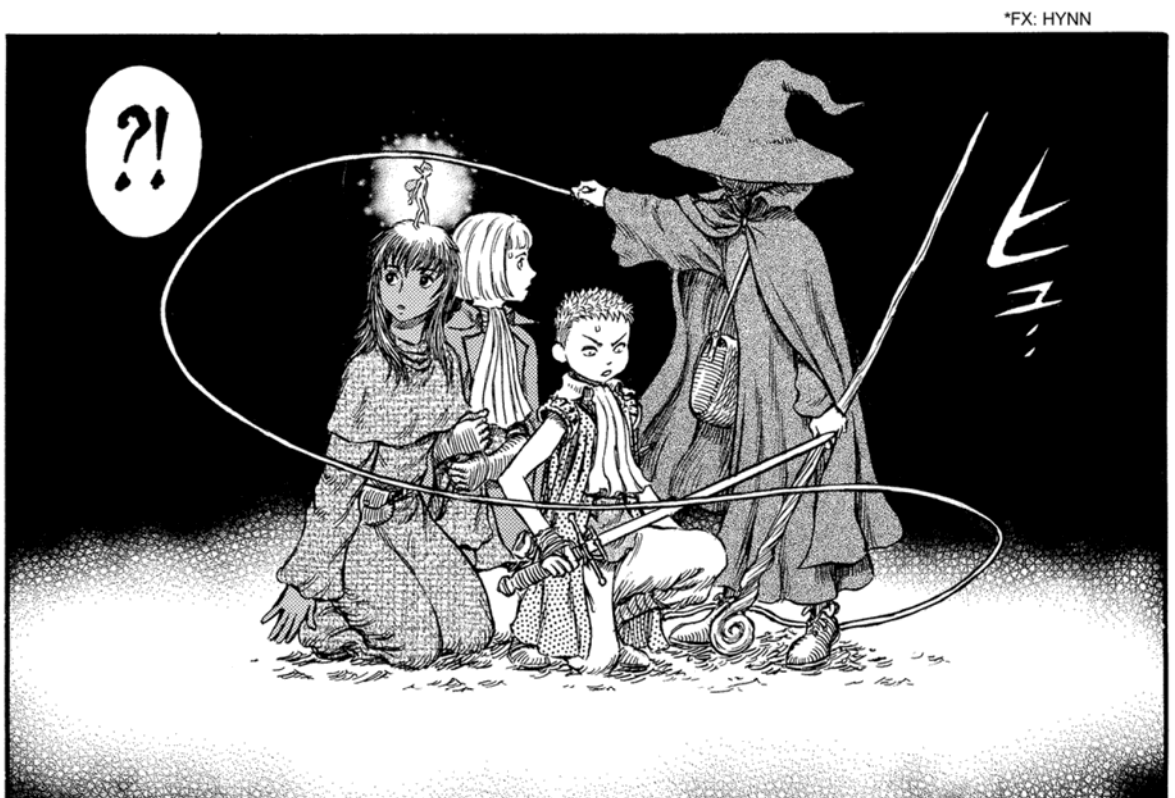
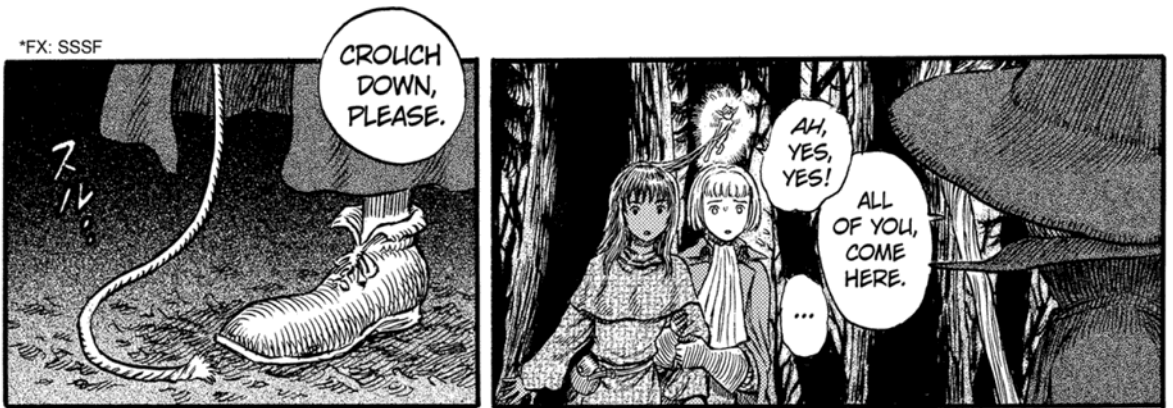
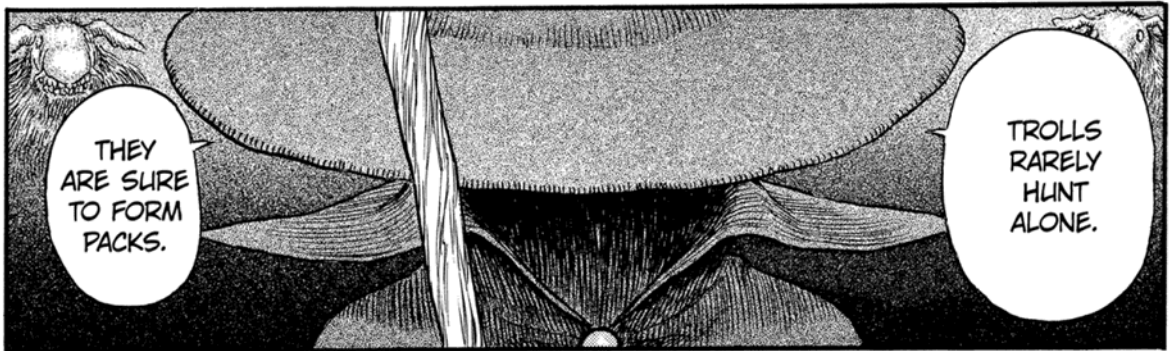


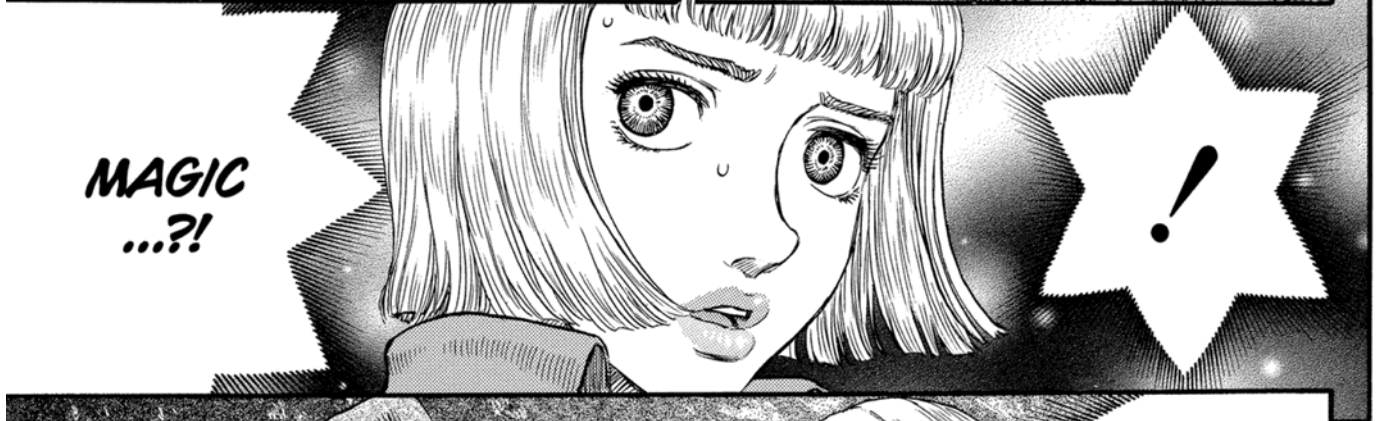
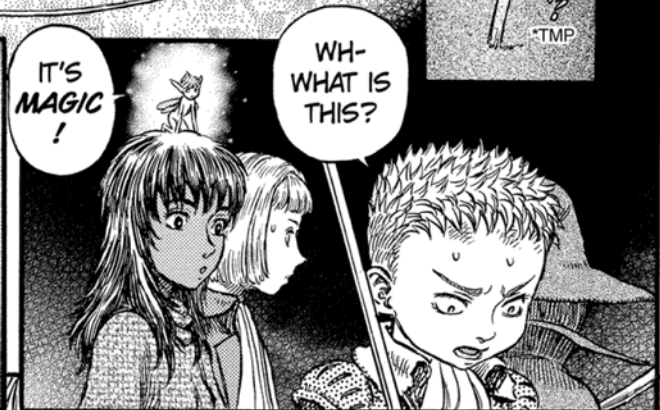
*FX: PSH

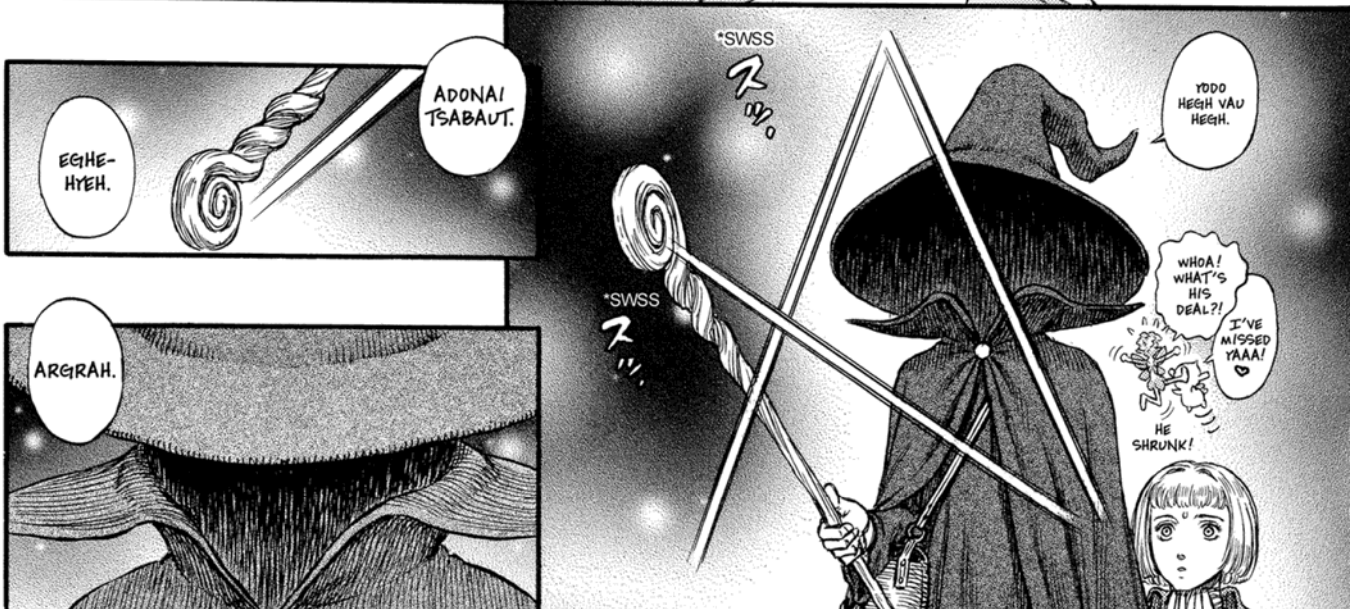
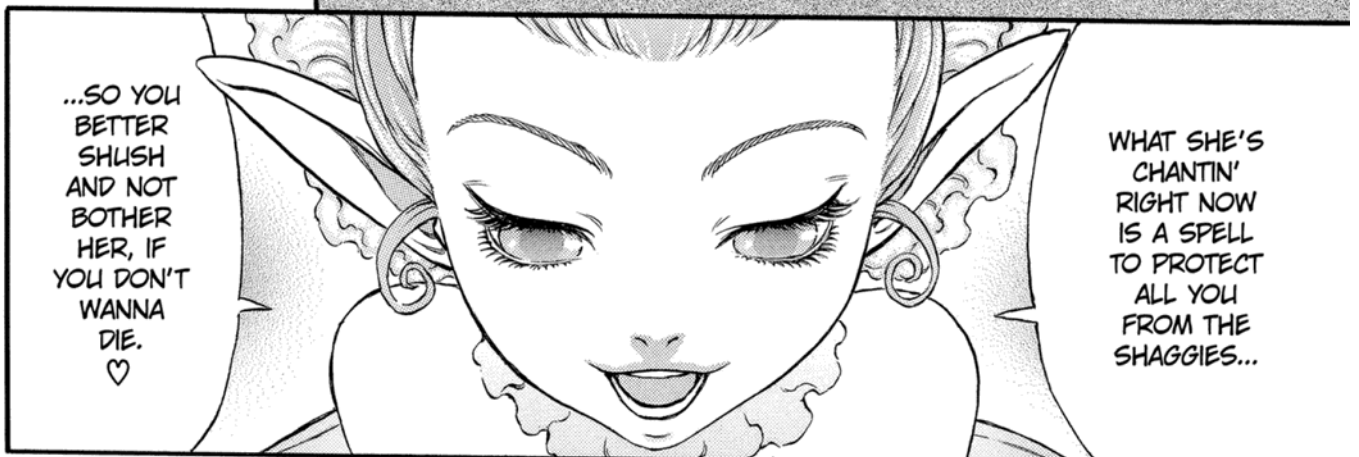


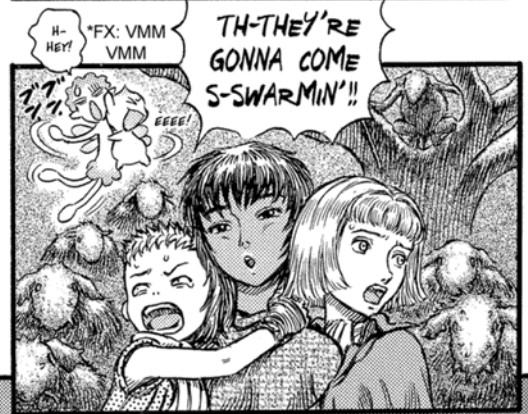




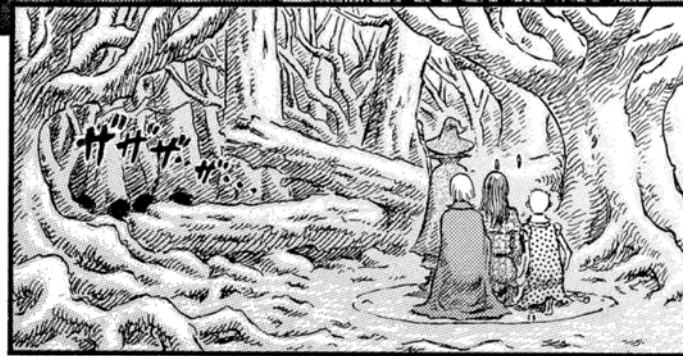
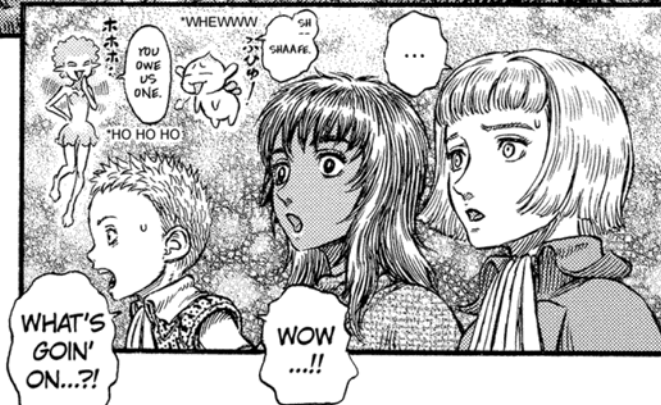




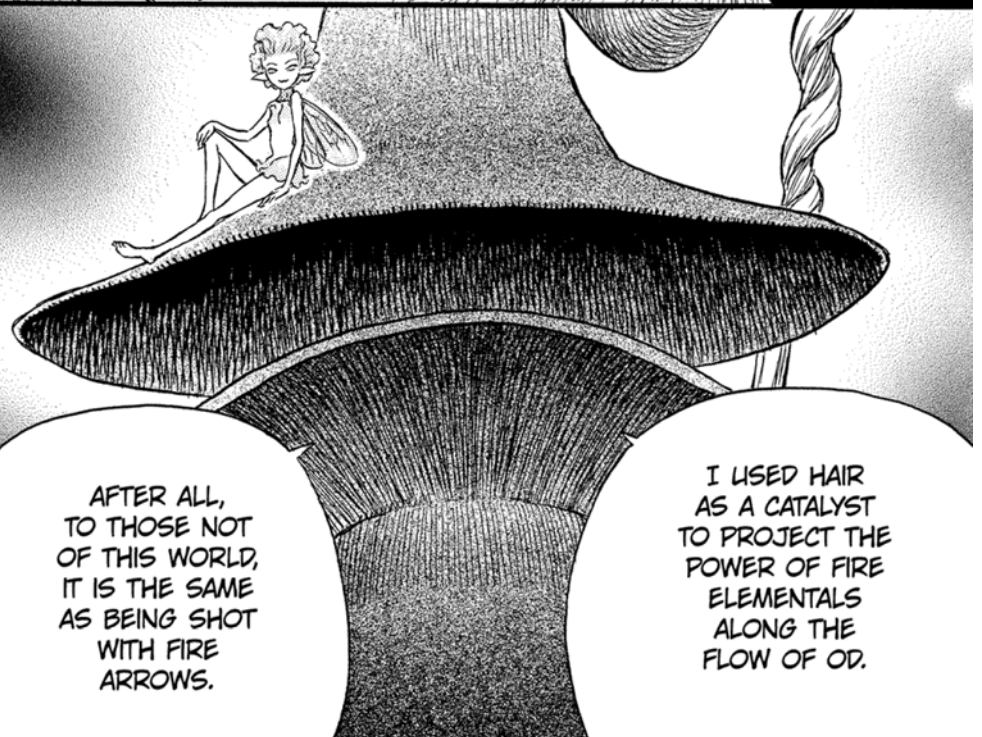
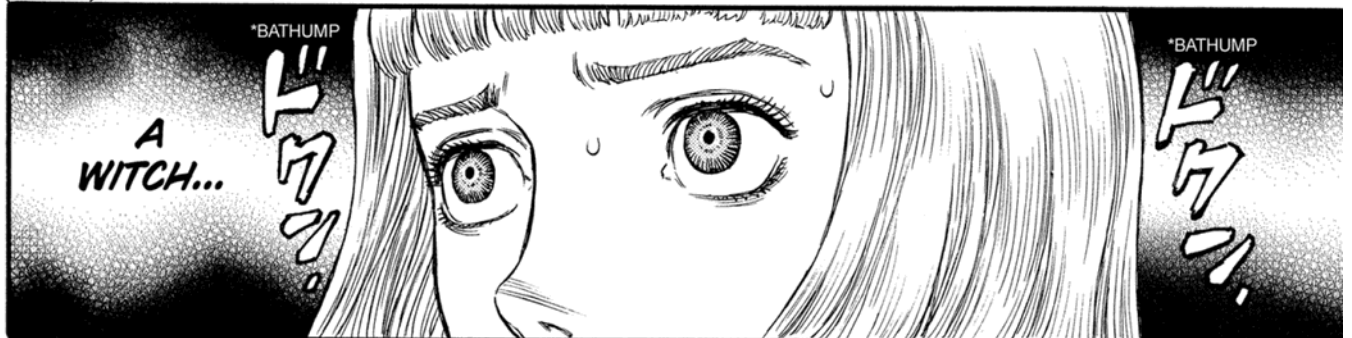






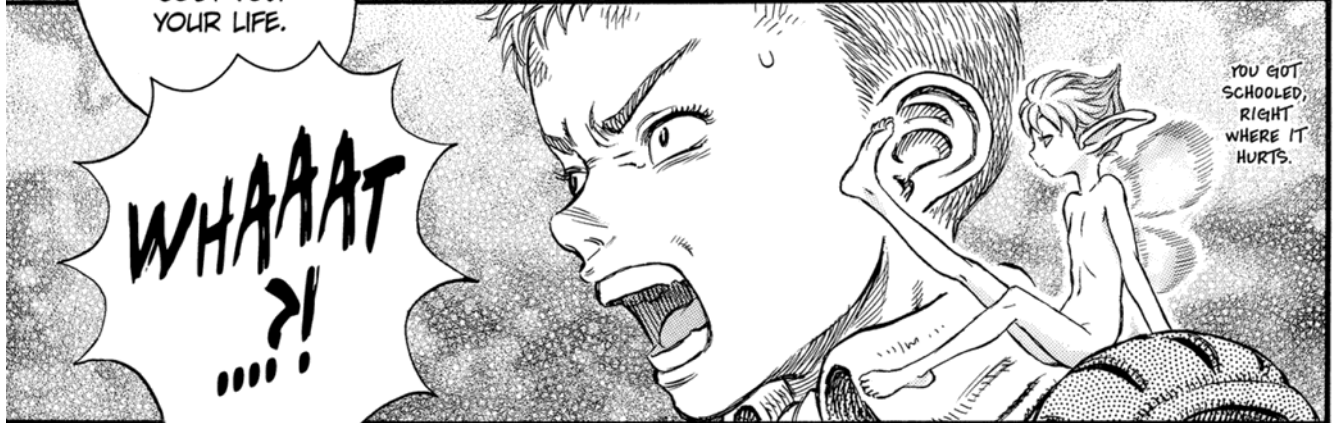


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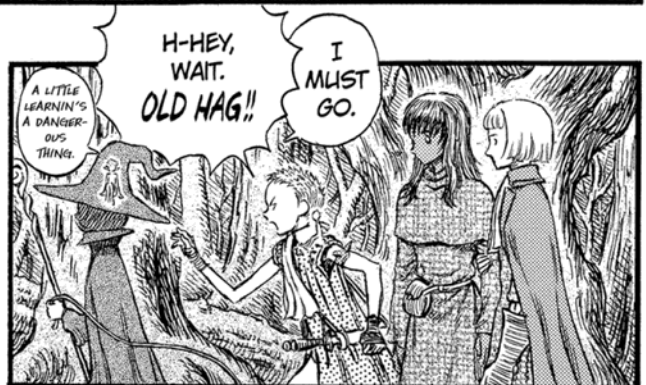


AFTER ALL,
TO THOSE NOT
OF THIS WORLD,
IT IS THE SAME
AS BEING SHOT
WITH FIRE
ARROWS.

I USED HAIR
AS A CATALYST
TO PROJECT THE
POWER OF FIRE
ELEMENTALS
ALONG THE
FLOW OF OD.



*FX: GLOMP



*FX: WOOP



*FX: SWIP

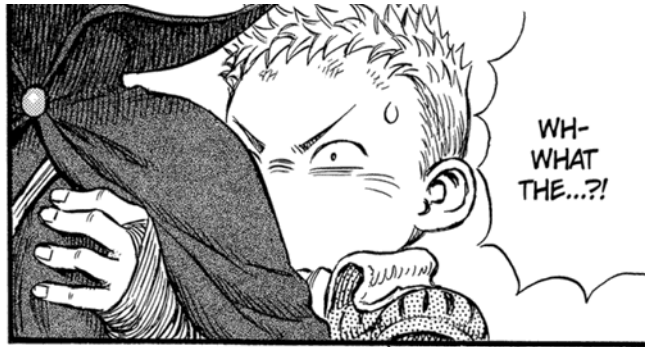




OHHH,
NOW
YOU
DONE
IT.

...

グロ
GROPE

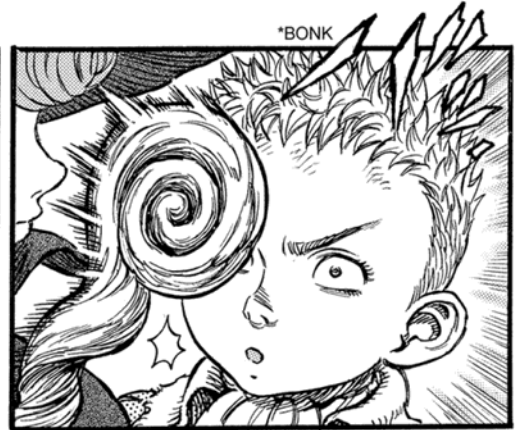
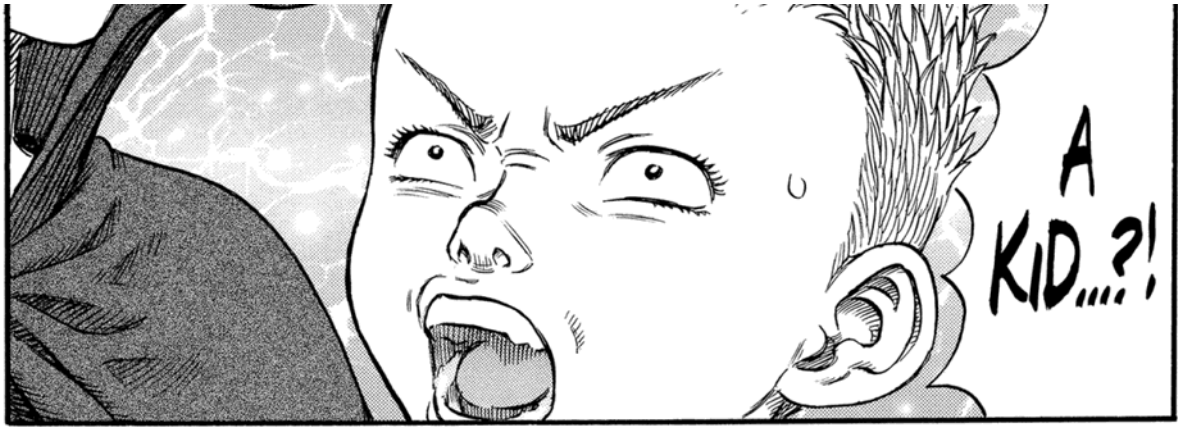


WH-
WHAT
THE...?!



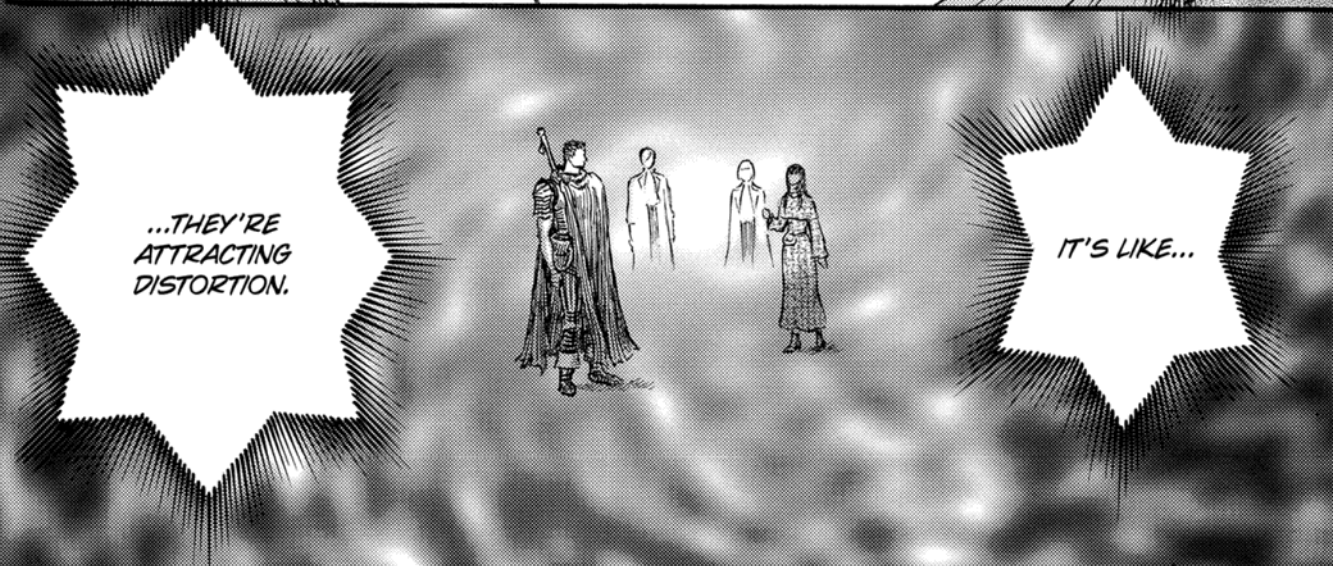
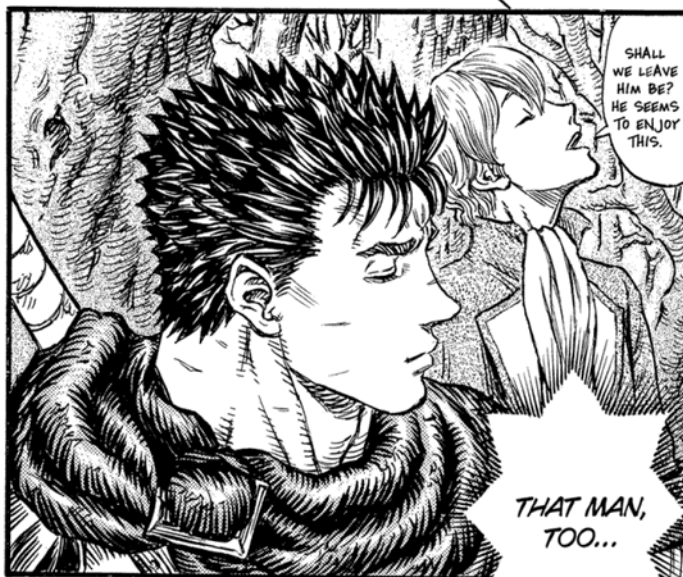
THOSE
AREN'T AN
OLD HAG'S!!
FOR THAT MATTER,
THEY'RE HARDLY
THERE!





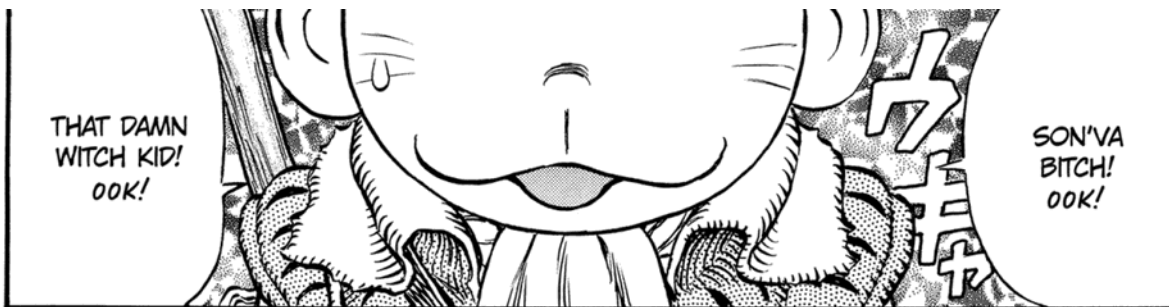


*FX: OOGA OOGA



靈樹の館 1

FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC—THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER
 MANSION OF THE SPIRIT TREE, PART 1



THAT DAMN
 WITCH KID!
 OOK!

SON'VA
 BITCH!
 OOK!

*FX: OOK



YES.
 THANKS TO
 YOU, OUR
 TWO WOMEN
 WERE SAFE.

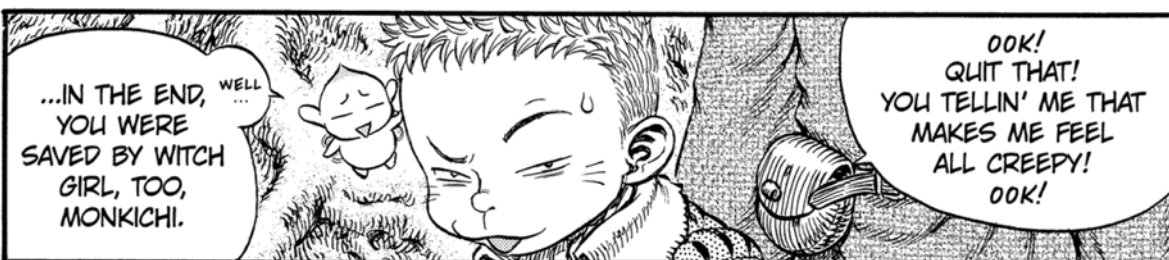
GOOD
 JOB, FOR
 YOU.

I AIN'T
 SATISFIED!
 OOK!

WHEN'LL
 I GO
 BACK TO
 NORMAL?!
 OOK!



THANKS
 A LOT.



...IN THE END, WELL...
 YOU WERE
 SAVED BY WITCH
 GIRL, TOO,
 MONKICHI.

OOK!
 QUIT THAT!
 YOU TELLIN' ME THAT
 MAKES ME FEEL
 ALL CREEPY!
 OOK!

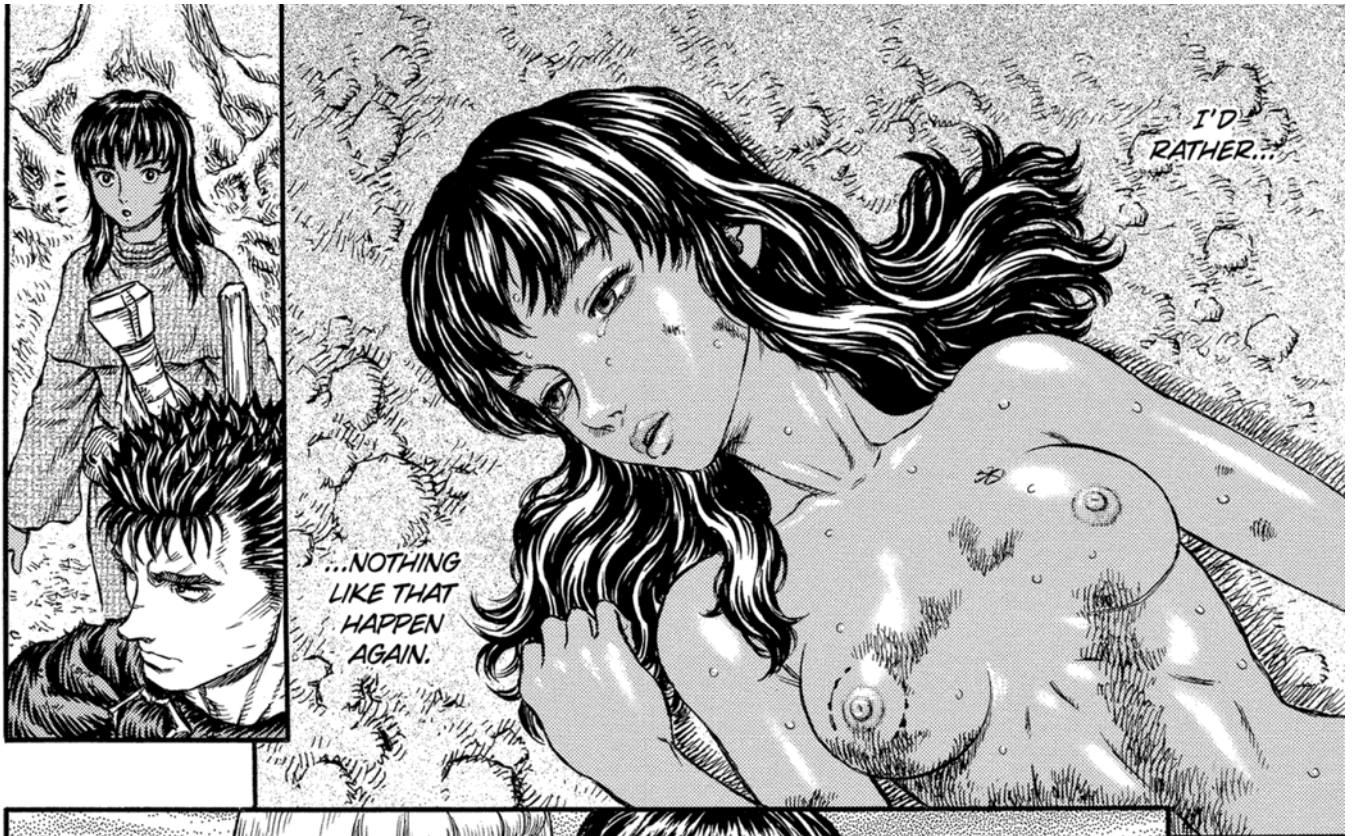
*FX: EEEE!



YOU
 WITH YOUR
 SPEECH
 IMPEDI-
 MENT!

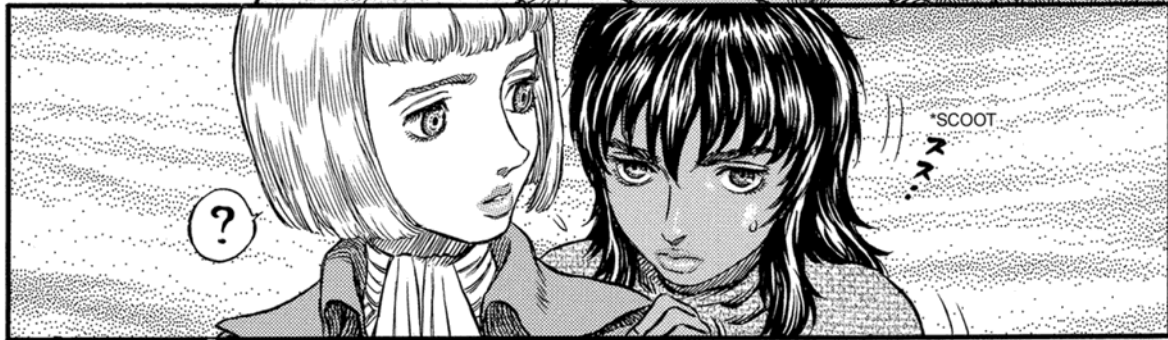
WHO'S
 A MON-
 KICHI?!
 OOK!

I MEAN IT...

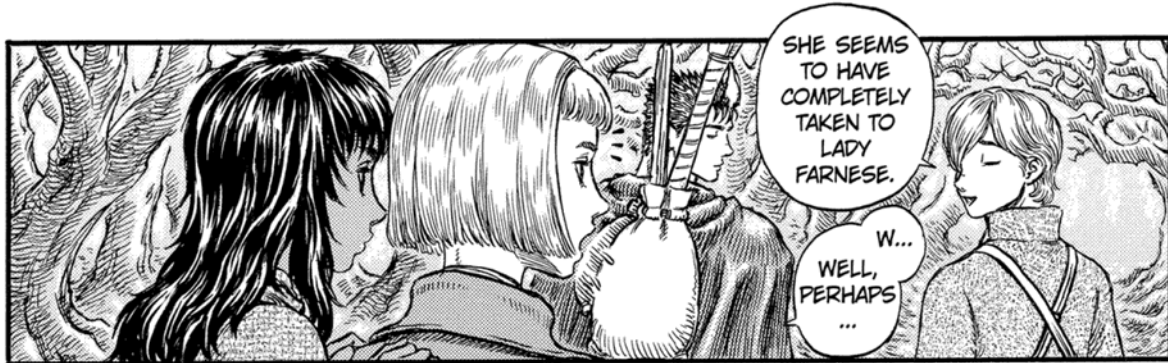


...NOTHING
LIKE THAT
HAPPEN
AGAIN.

I'D
RATHER...



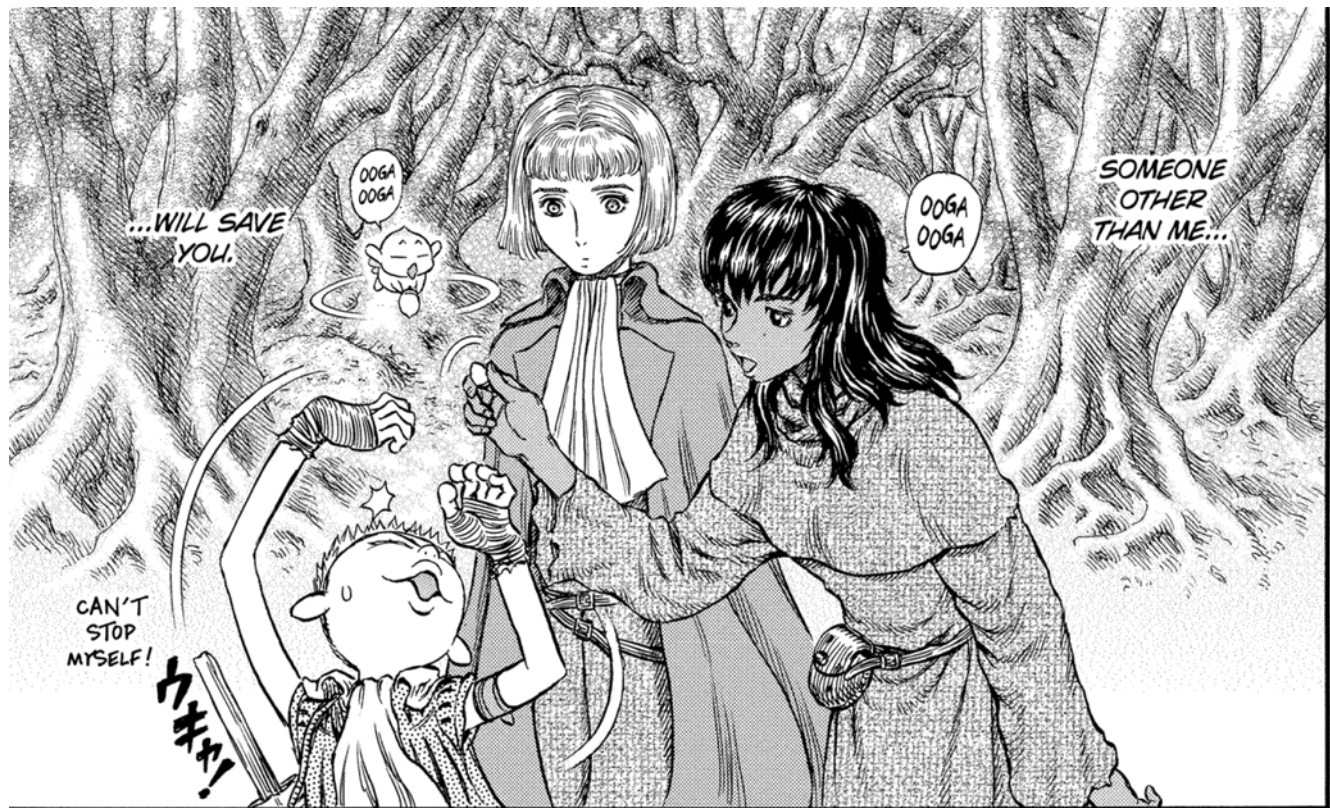
*SCOOT



SHE SEEMS
TO HAVE
COMPLETELY
TAKEN TO
LADY
FARNESE.

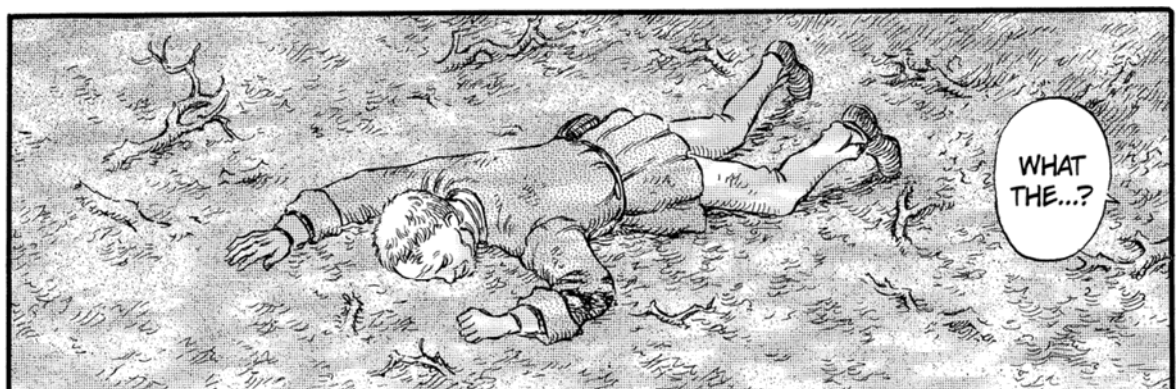
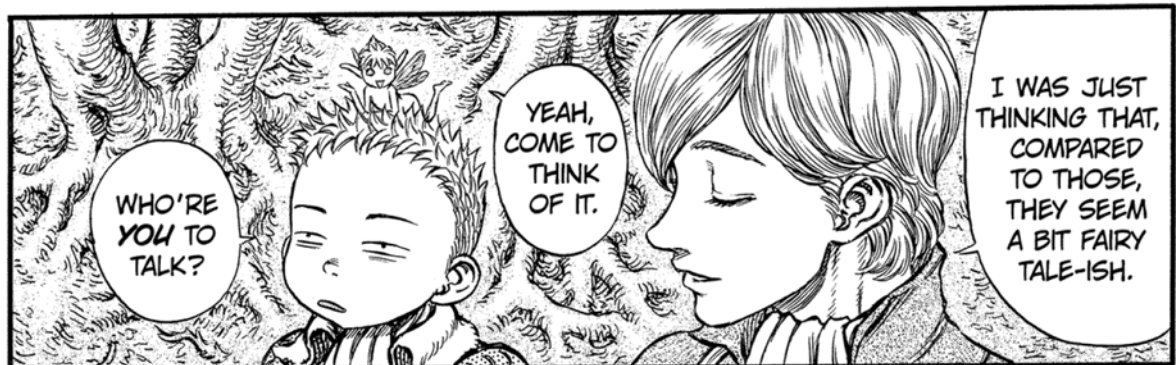
W...
WELL,
PERHAPS
...

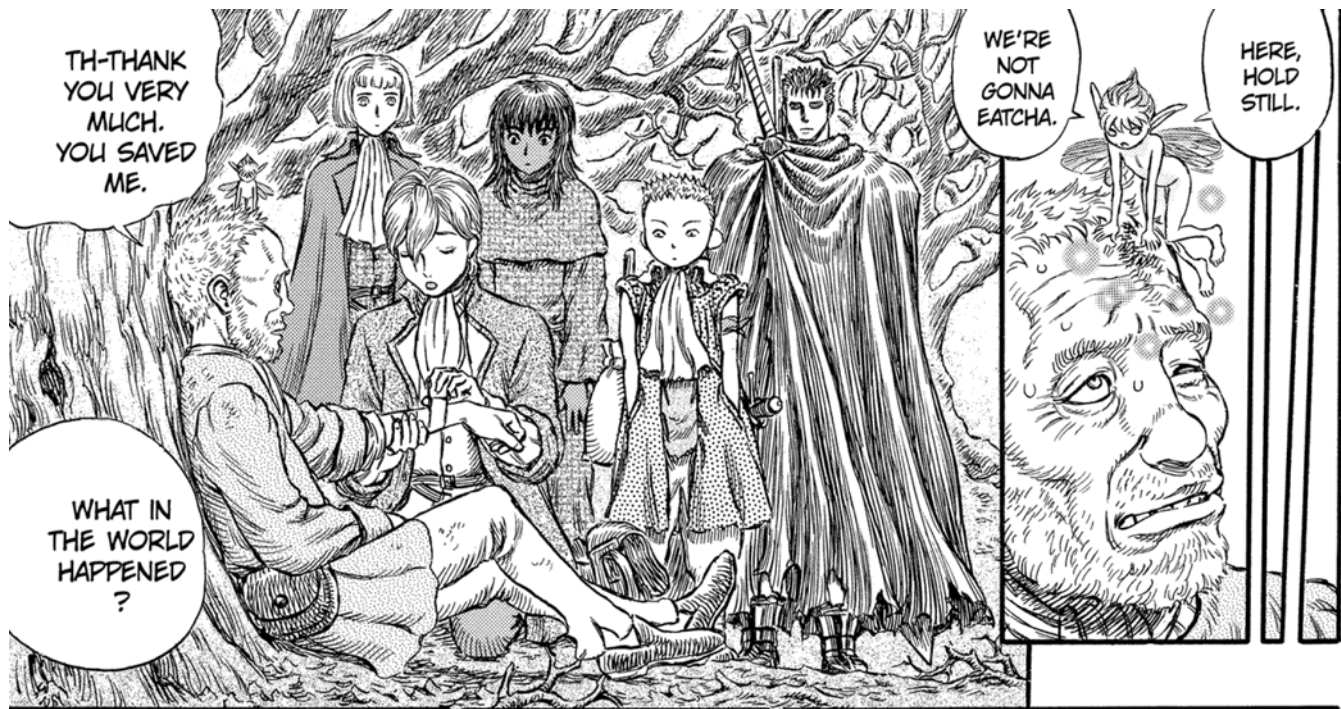




*FX: OOKEE!







TH-THANK
YOU VERY
MUCH.
YOU SAVED
ME.

WE'RE
NOT
GONNA
EATCHA.

HERE,
HOLD
STILL.

WHAT IN
THE WORLD
HAPPENED
?



THE SUN'S
STILL HIGH,
ANYWAY.

FINE BY
ME.

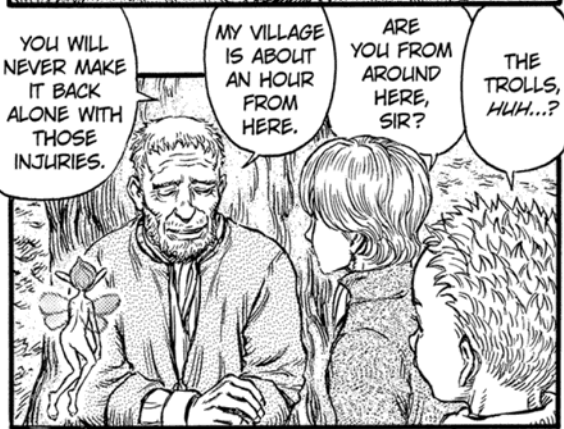


IS THERE
ANY WAY
WE CAN
SEE HIM
THERE?



THERE
WERE FIVE
OTHERS
WITH ME,
BUT THEY
ALL...

WE WERE
ATTACKED
BY
TROLLS.

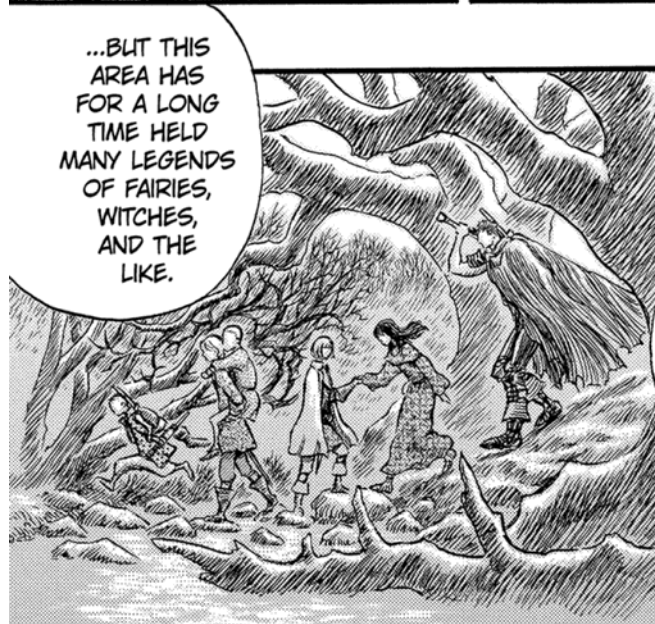


YOU WILL
NEVER MAKE
IT BACK
ALONE WITH
THOSE
INJURIES.

MY VILLAGE
IS ABOUT
AN HOUR
FROM
HERE.

ARE
YOU FROM
AROUND
HERE,
SIR?

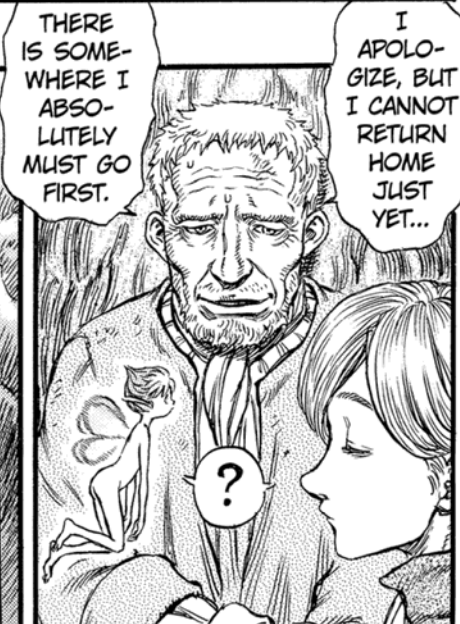
THE
TROLLS,
HUH...?



...BUT THIS
AREA HAS
FOR A LONG
TIME HELD
MANY LEGENDS
OF FAIRIES,
WITCHES,
AND THE LIKE.

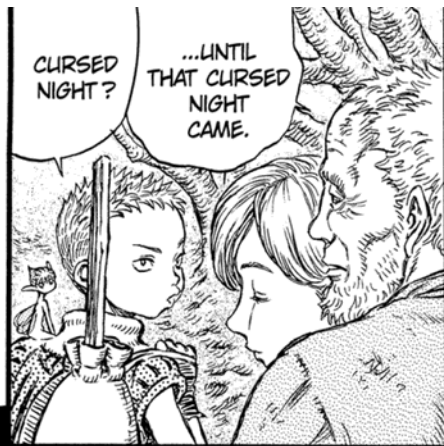
I AM FROM
ENOCH
VILLAGE.
I'M
MORGAN.

AS
TRAVELERS,
YOU MIGHT
NOT KNOW
THIS...



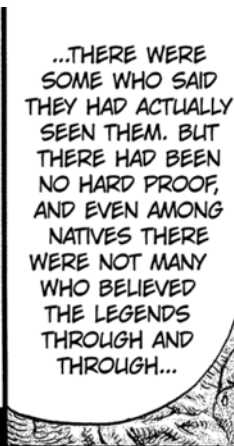
THERE
IS SOME-
WHERE I
ABSO-
LUTELY
MUST GO
FIRST.

I APOLO-
GIZE, BUT
I CANNOT
RETURN
HOME
JUST
YET...

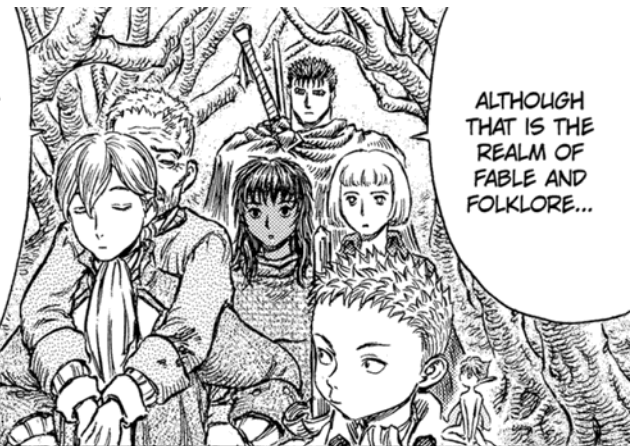


CURSED NIGHT?

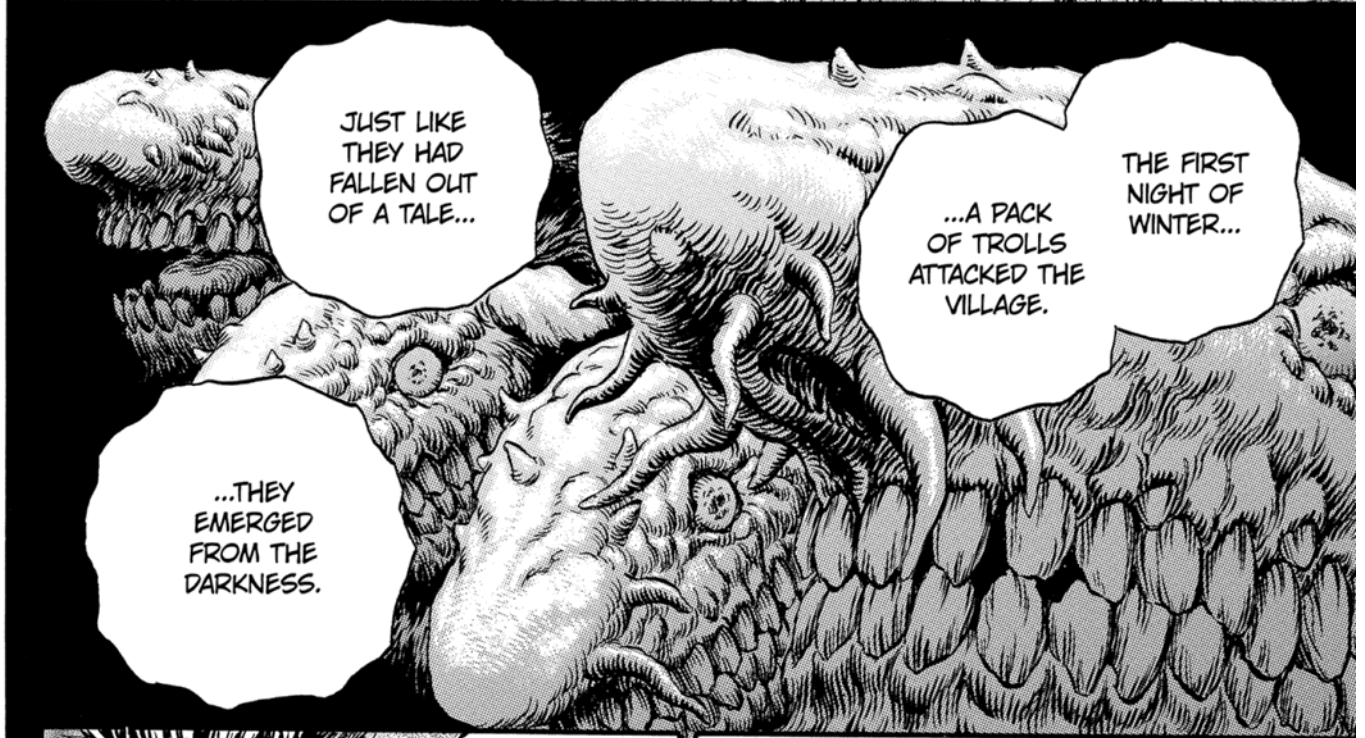
...UNTIL THAT CURSED NIGHT CAME.



...THERE WERE SOME WHO SAID THEY HAD ACTUALLY SEEN THEM. BUT THERE HAD BEEN NO HARD PROOF, AND EVEN AMONG NATIVES THERE WERE NOT MANY WHO BELIEVED THE LEGENDS THROUGH AND THROUGH...



ALTHOUGH THAT IS THE REALM OF FABLE AND FOLKLORE...



JUST LIKE THEY HAD FALLEN OUT OF A TALE...

THE FIRST NIGHT OF WINTER...

...A PACK OF TROLLS ATTACKED THE VILLAGE.

...THEY EMERGED FROM THE DARKNESS.



AS IF ALL THAT HAD BEEN BEFORE WAS A LIE...



YES, EVER SINCE THAT NIGHT IT'S LIKE THE WHOLE WORLD HAS CHANGED.



NOT ONLY DO THEY RUIN THE FIELDS AND STEAL LIVESTOCK...

THEY EVEN CARRY OFF OUR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.



A LEGEND
FOR A
LEGEND...

NOW WE
ARE RAIDED
BY CREATURES
OF LEGEND...
IT IS JUST
A MATTER OF
TIME BEFORE
THE VILLAGE IS
WIPED OUT!

BECAUSE OF
THE WAR WITH
THE KUSHAN,
HEAVY TAXES
ARE IMPOSED
ON THE PEOPLE.
ENOCH VILLAGE
WAS POOR TO
BEGIN WITH, AND
IT WILL BE ALL
WE CAN DO NOT
TO STARVE TO
DEATH THIS
WINTER!

...WOULD HE
EVER SEND
SOLDIERS
FOR SUCH
NONSENSE
LIKE
TROLLS?!

EVEN
IF WE
WERE
TO TELL
HIM...

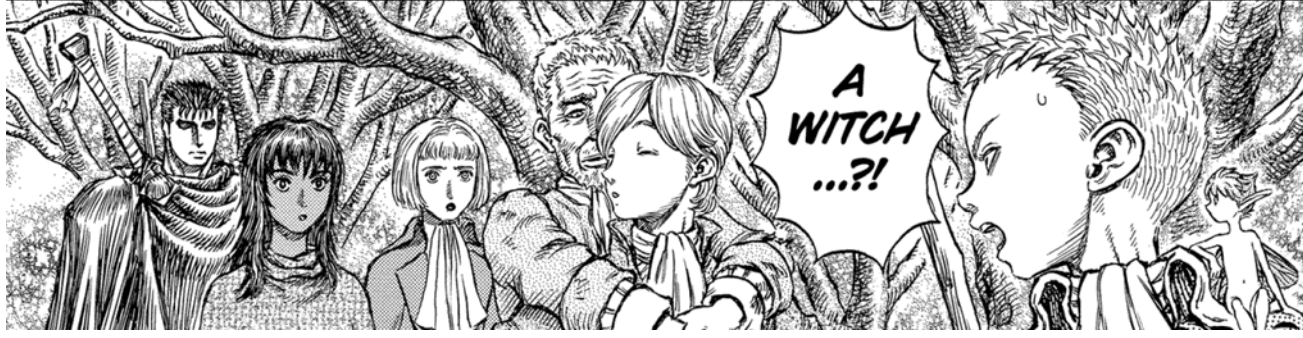
OUR LORD
HAS BEEN
DISPATCHED
TO VRITANNIS,
AND THE
CASTLE IS NOW
EMPTY.

THEN DO
YOU PLAN
TO APPEAL
DIRECTLY
TO YOUR
LORD?

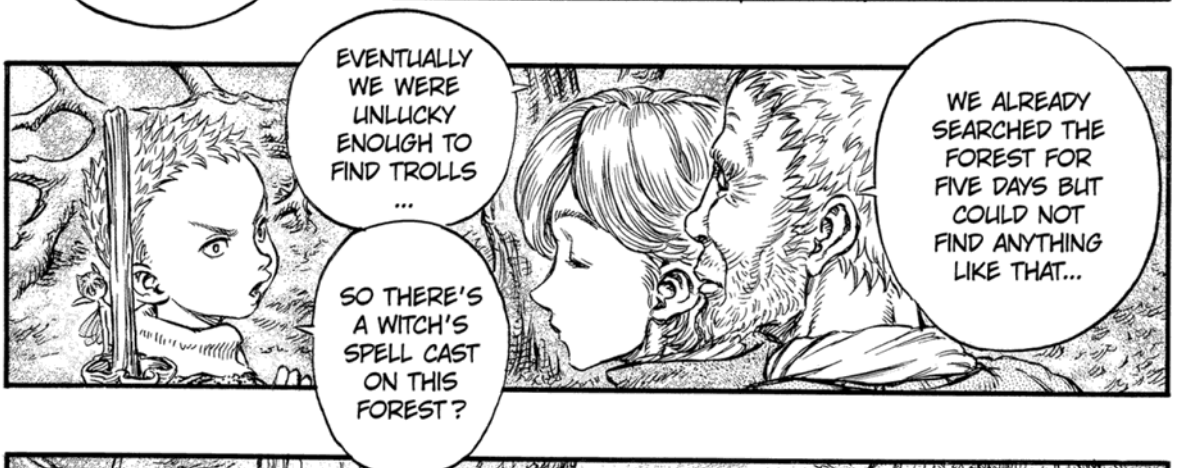
THEN
WHAT'LL
YOU DO
?

WE THOUGHT
WE WOULD
REQUEST
HELP FROM
A WITCH.

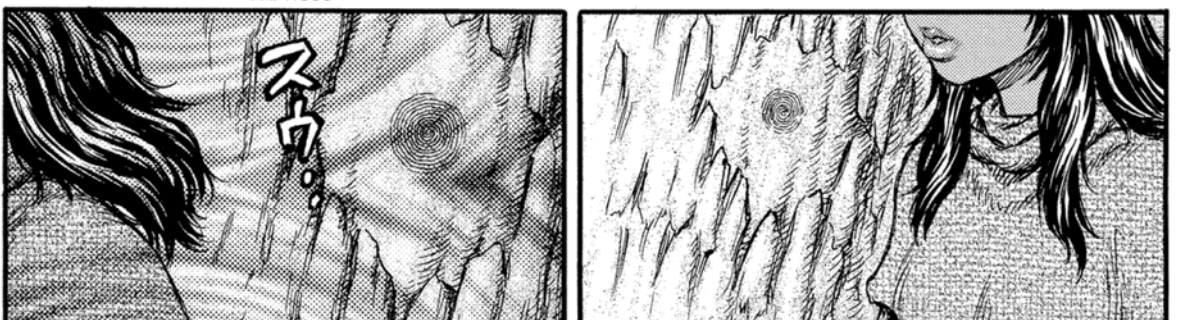
A WITCH.

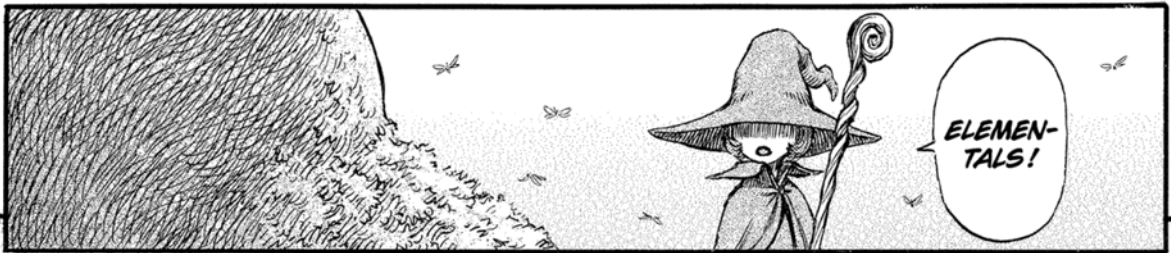
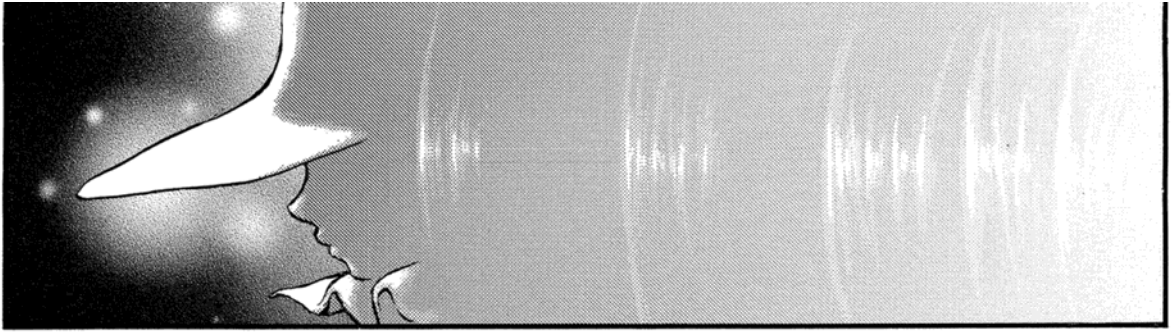


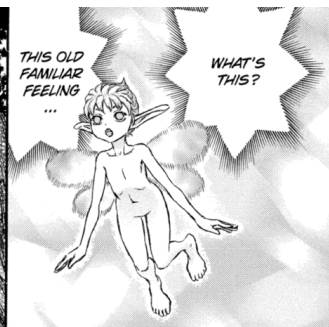
A
WITCH
...?!



*FX: WSSS









WHA
...?

WILD.
THIS IS
JUST LIKE A
FAIRY TALE!



...
SPARKLY
THINGS
?

SOME
...



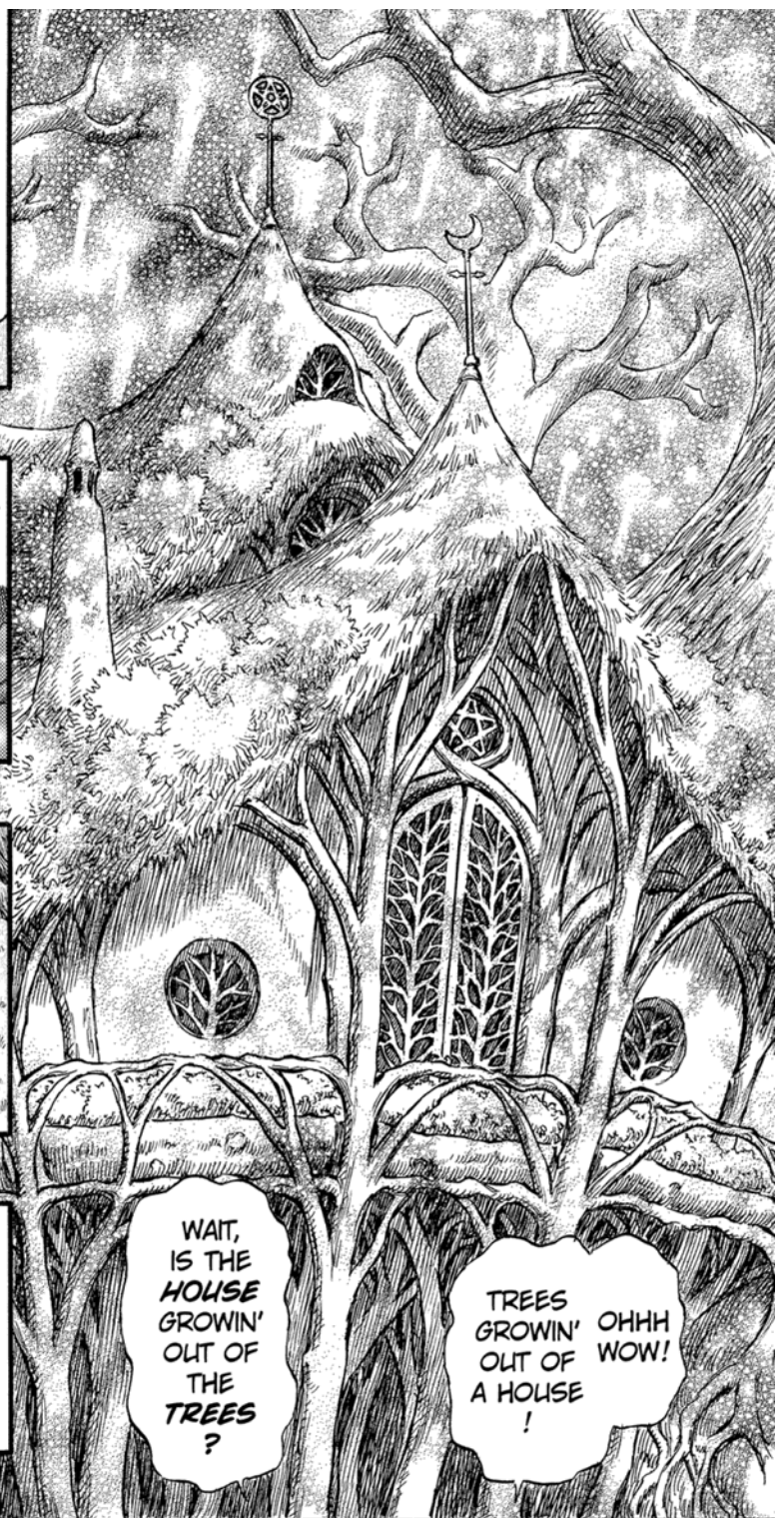
HEY, HEY,
WE FOUND IT
ALREADY,
MISTER.

OHH
...



IT
REALLY
WASN'T
A DREAM
...

EH?



WAIT,
IS THE
HOUSE
GROWIN'
OUT OF
THE
TREES
?

TREES
GROWIN' OHHH
OUT OF
A HOUSE
!



NOW WHAT
KINDA
PAYBACK
SHOULD
I GET?!

YOU'LL
JUST GET
TURNED INTO
MONKICHI
AGAIN.

THAT
WITCH KID'S
PROBABLY
HERE,
TOO...

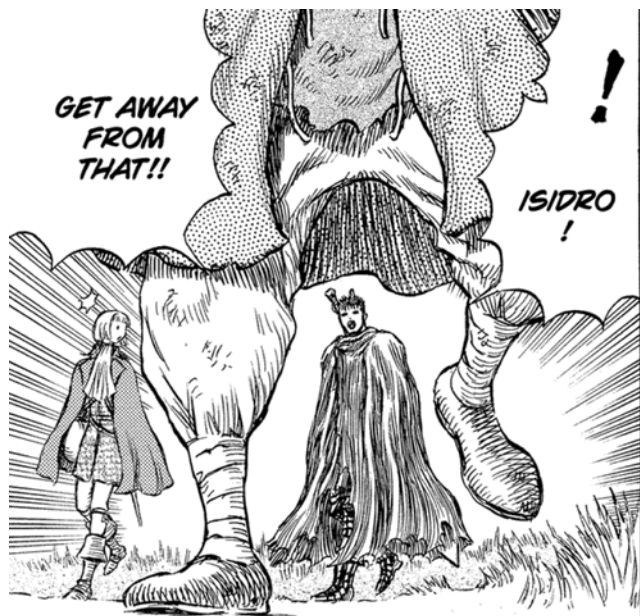


ONE OF
THOSE
CHILDREN
WAS ME.

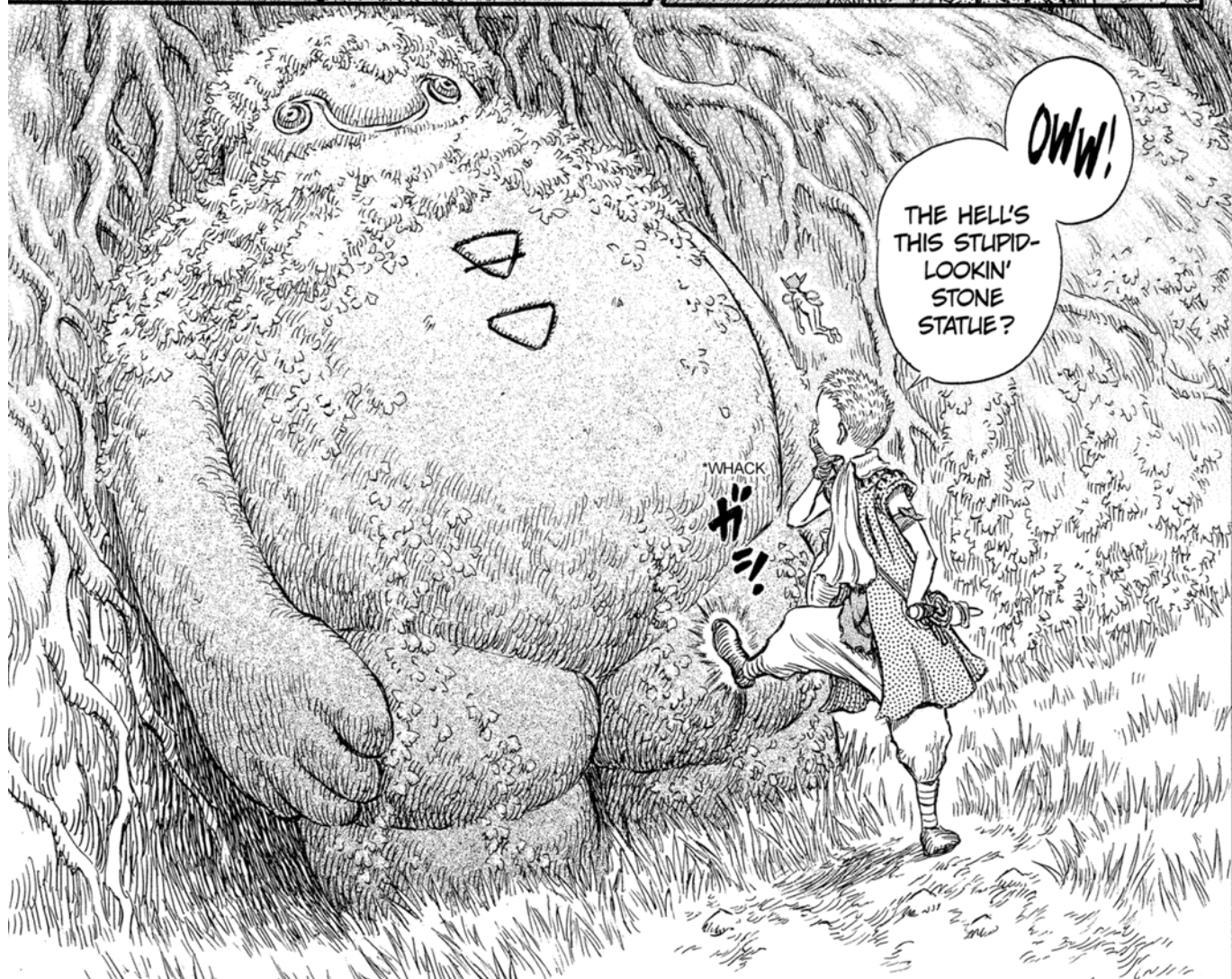
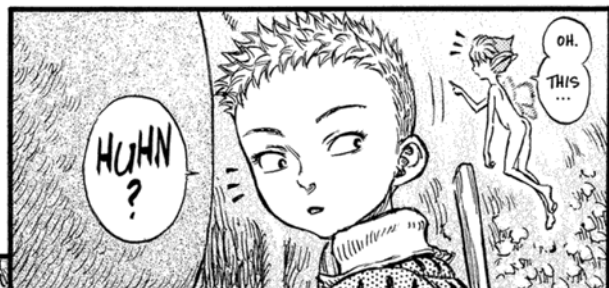
NO ONE
BELIEVED
ME, AND SO
MANY YEARS
PASSED THAT
EVEN I CAME
TO THINK
IT WAS A
DREAM.

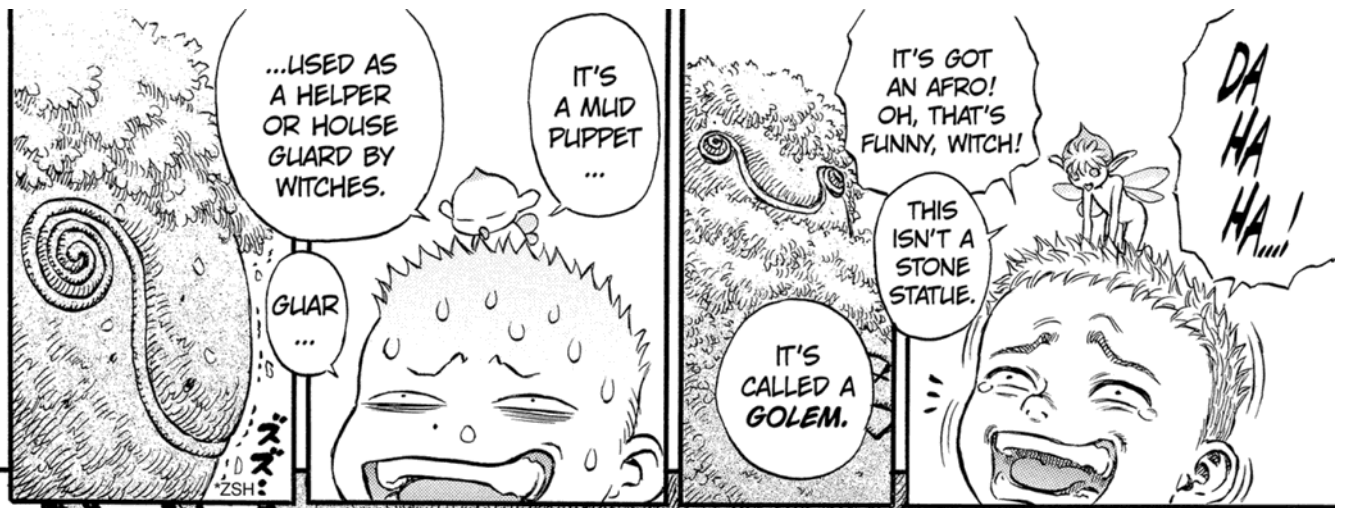
DID I
NOT SAY
SOME
CHILDREN
SAW THIS
MANSION
LONG
AGO?

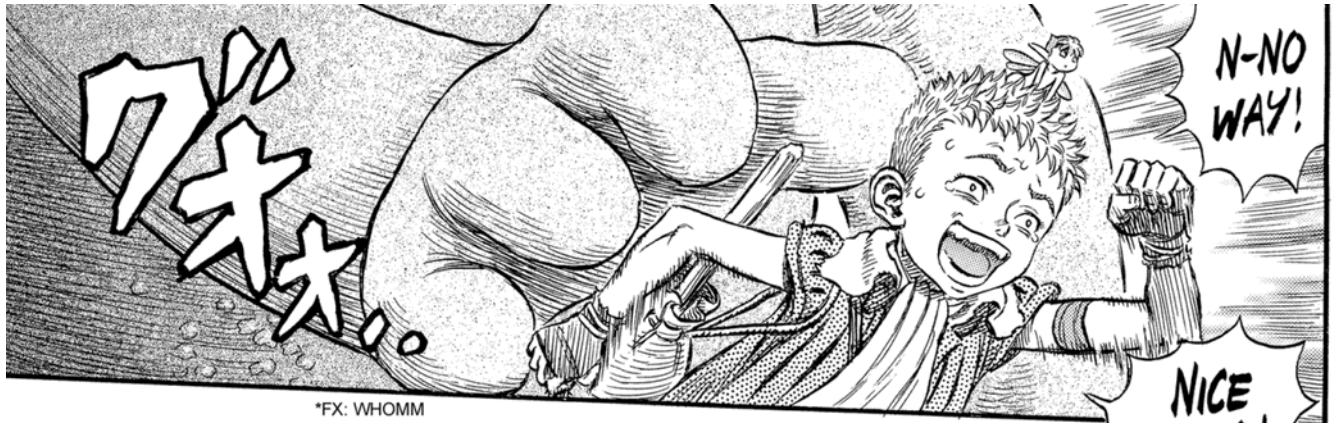
*WHAP



*FX: WHUMP

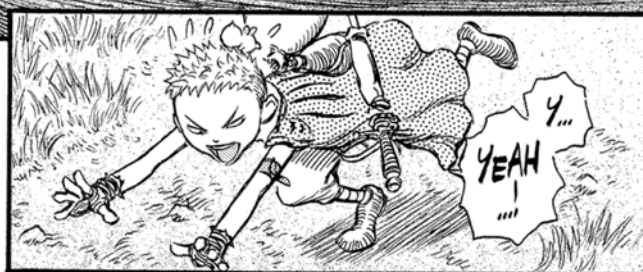


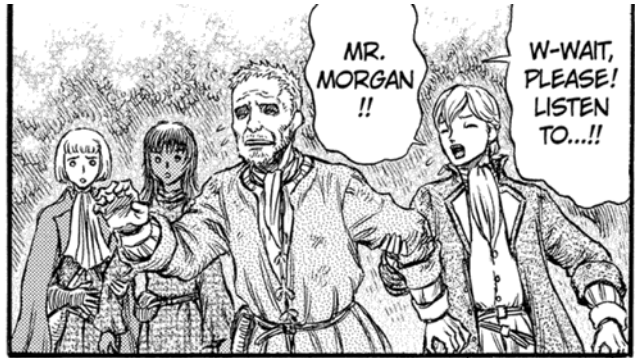




*FX: WHOMM

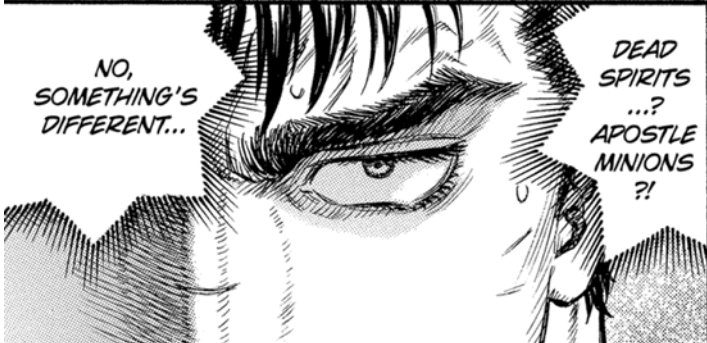


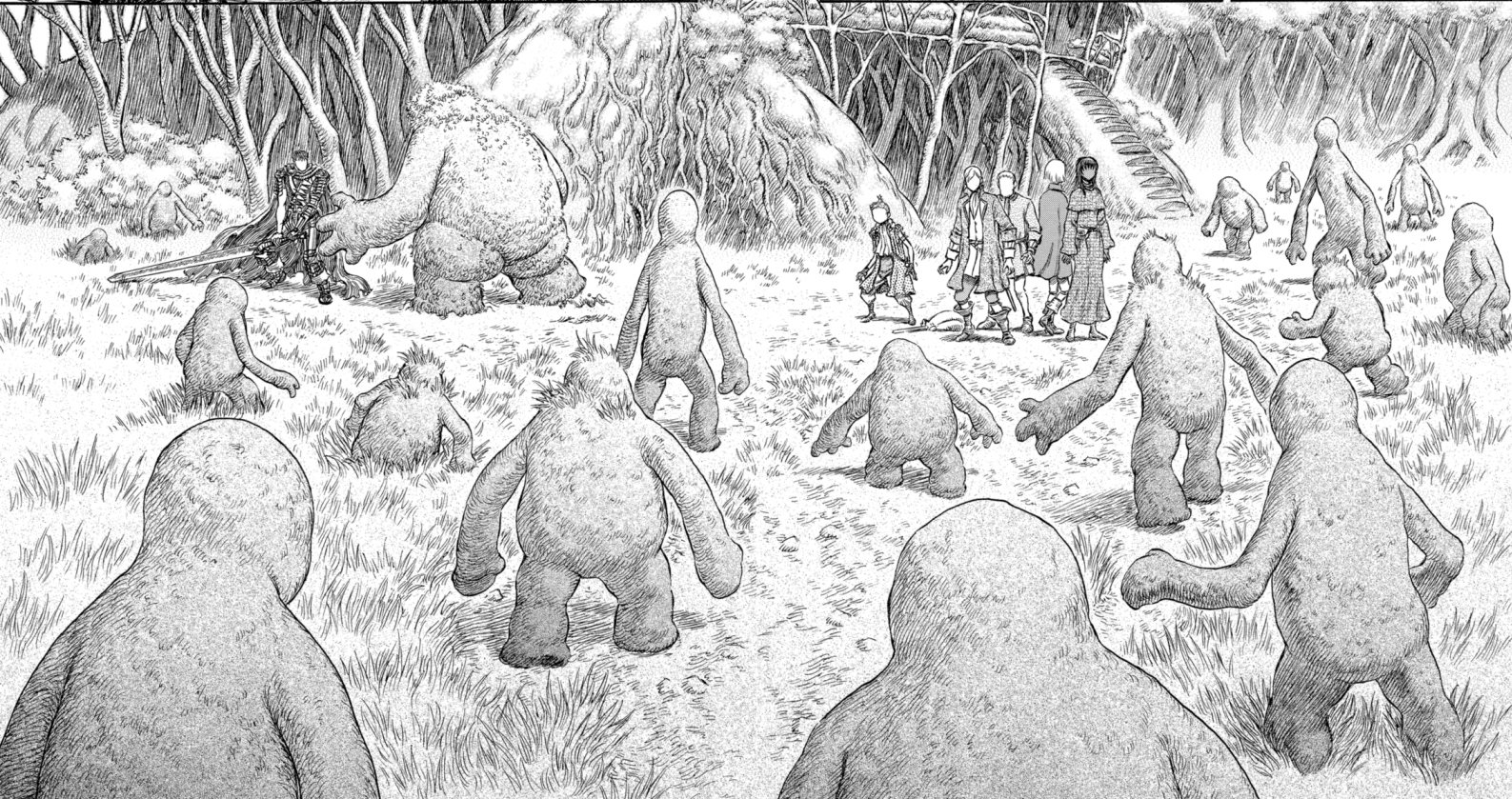


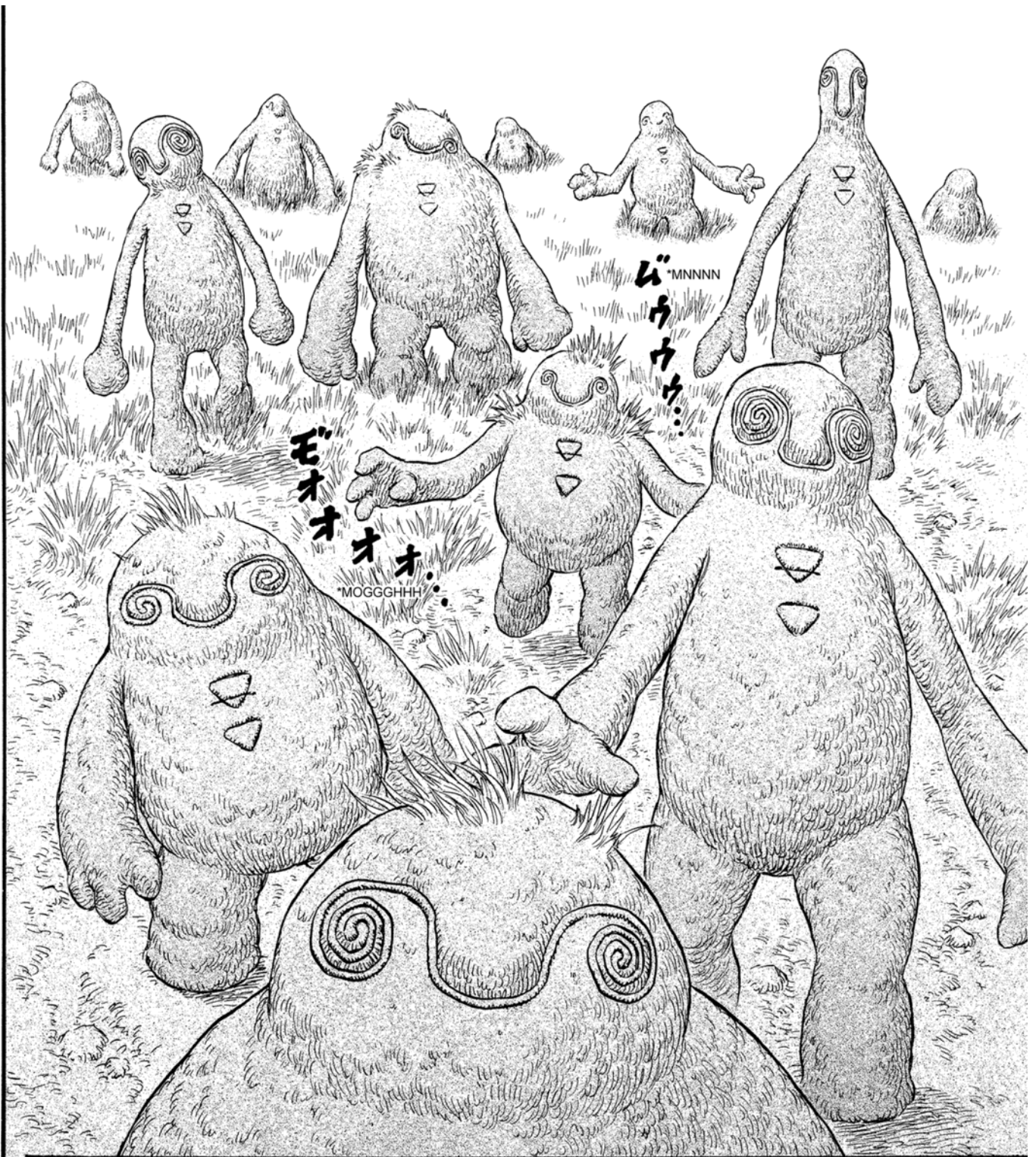


FX: ZMMM

*FX: ZOMMM





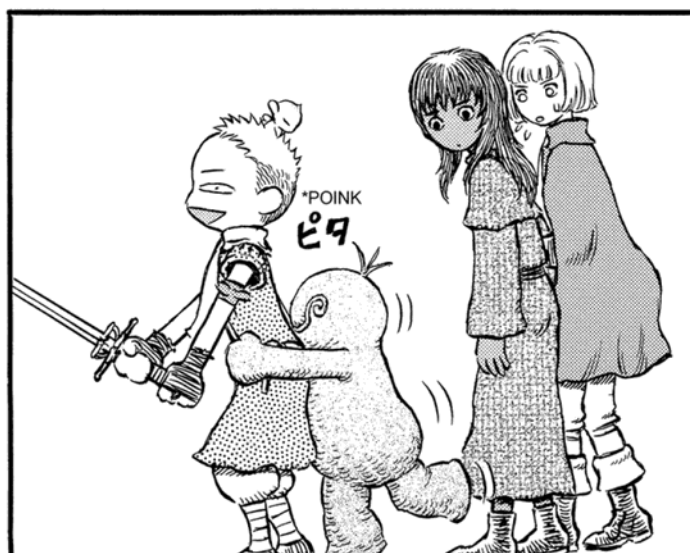
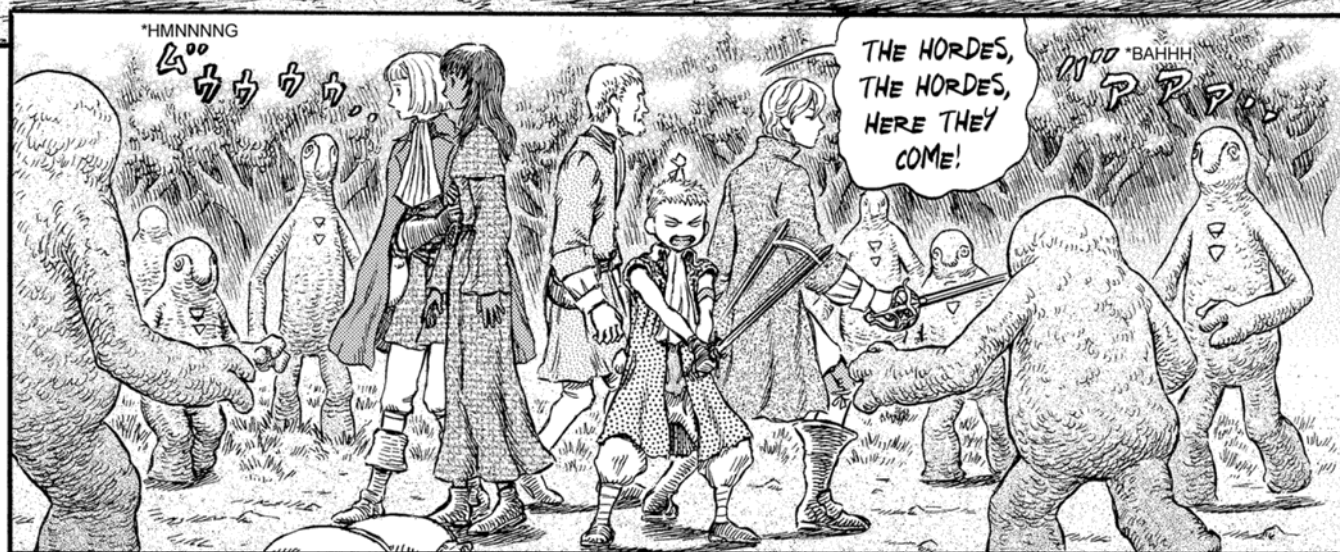
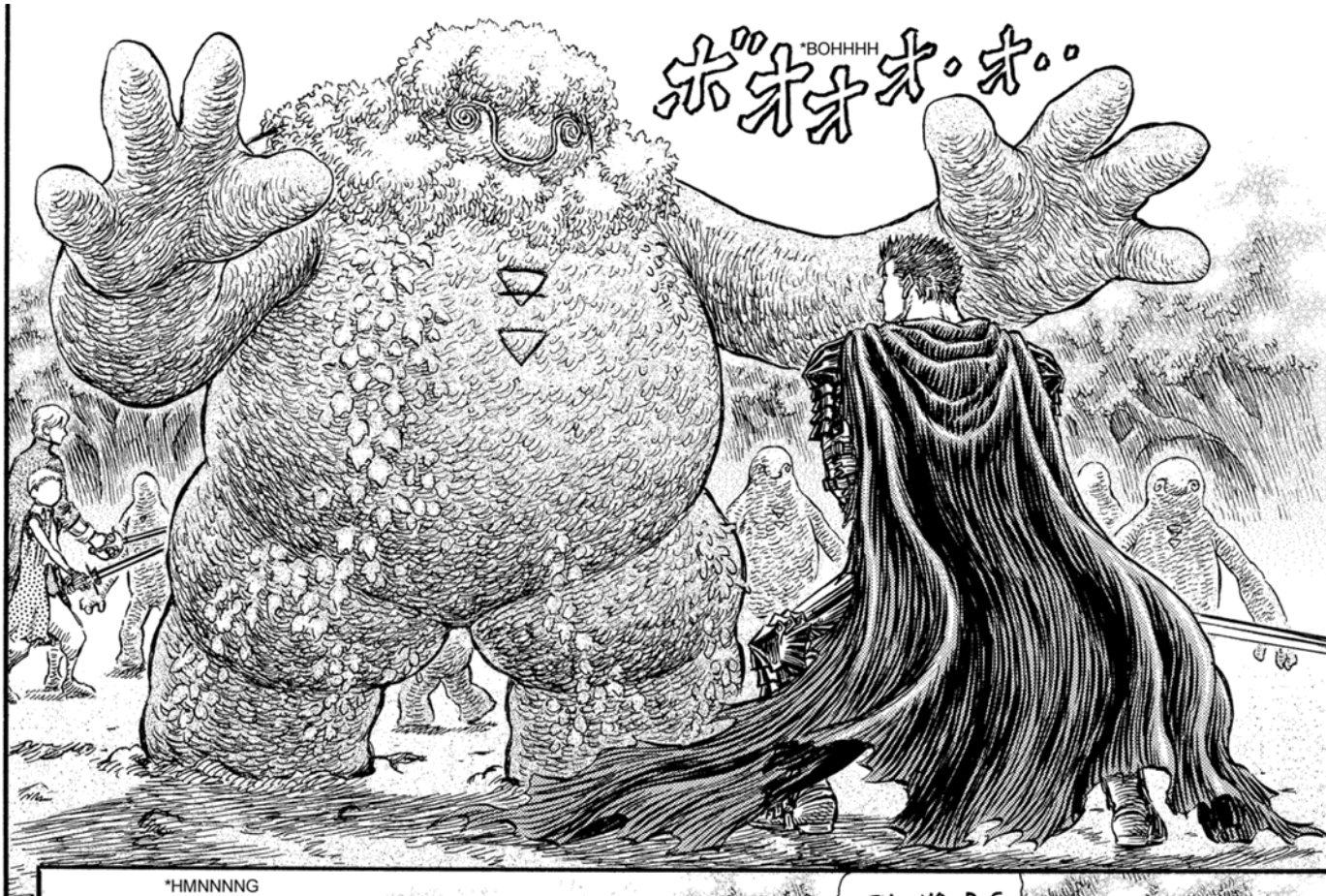


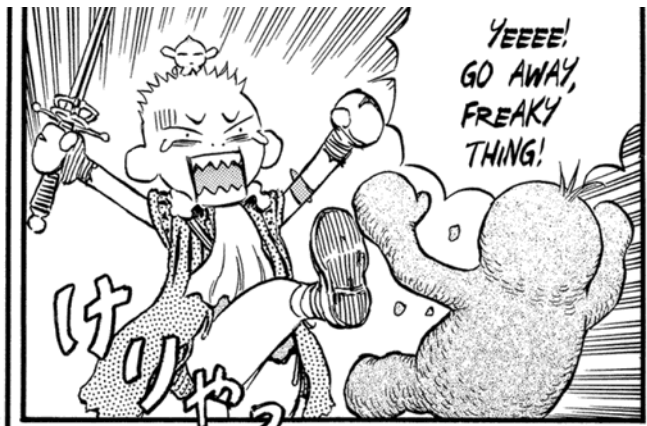


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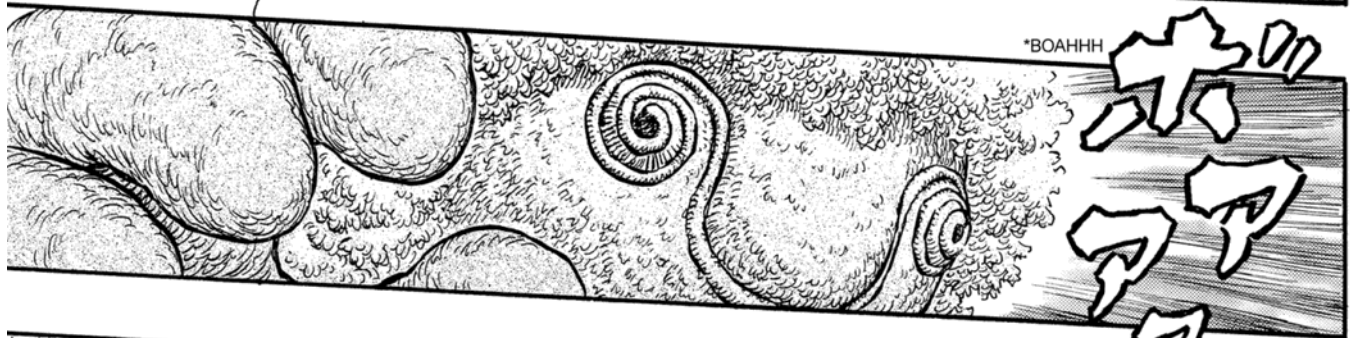
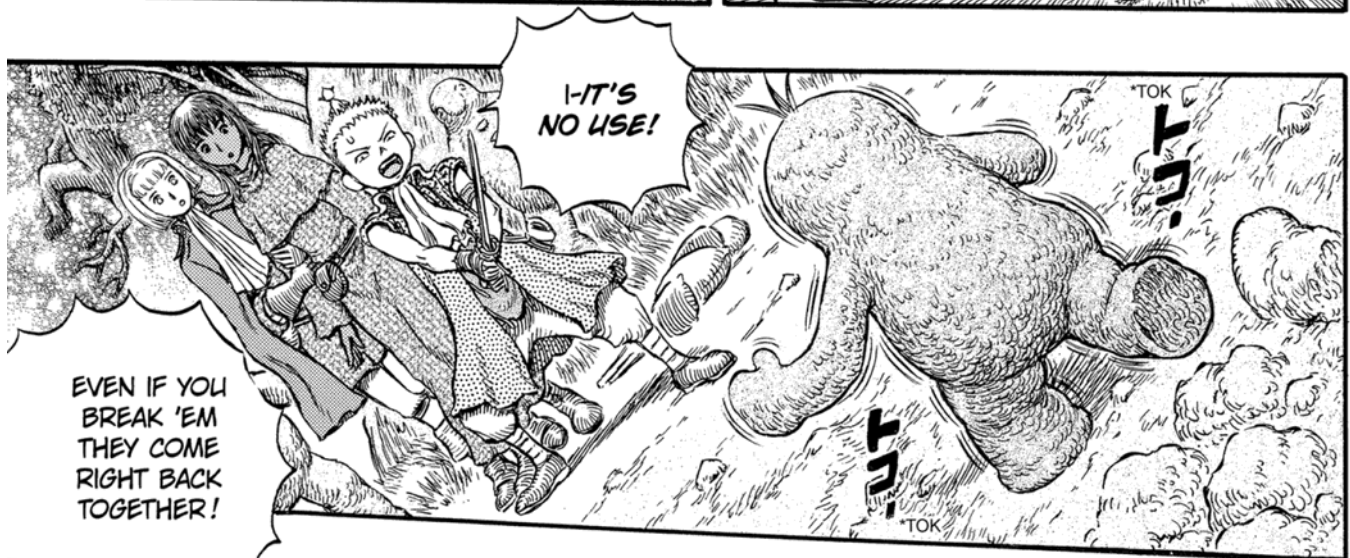
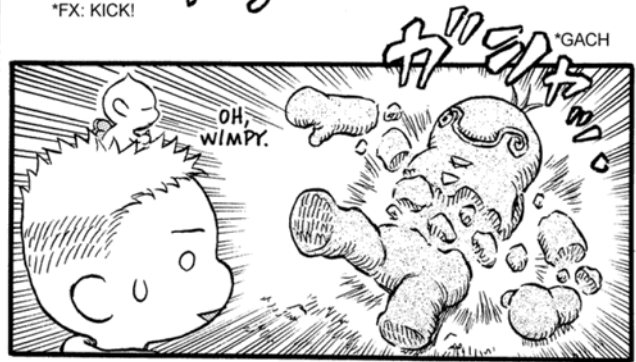
MANSION OF THE SPIRIT TREE, PART 2

霊樹の館②

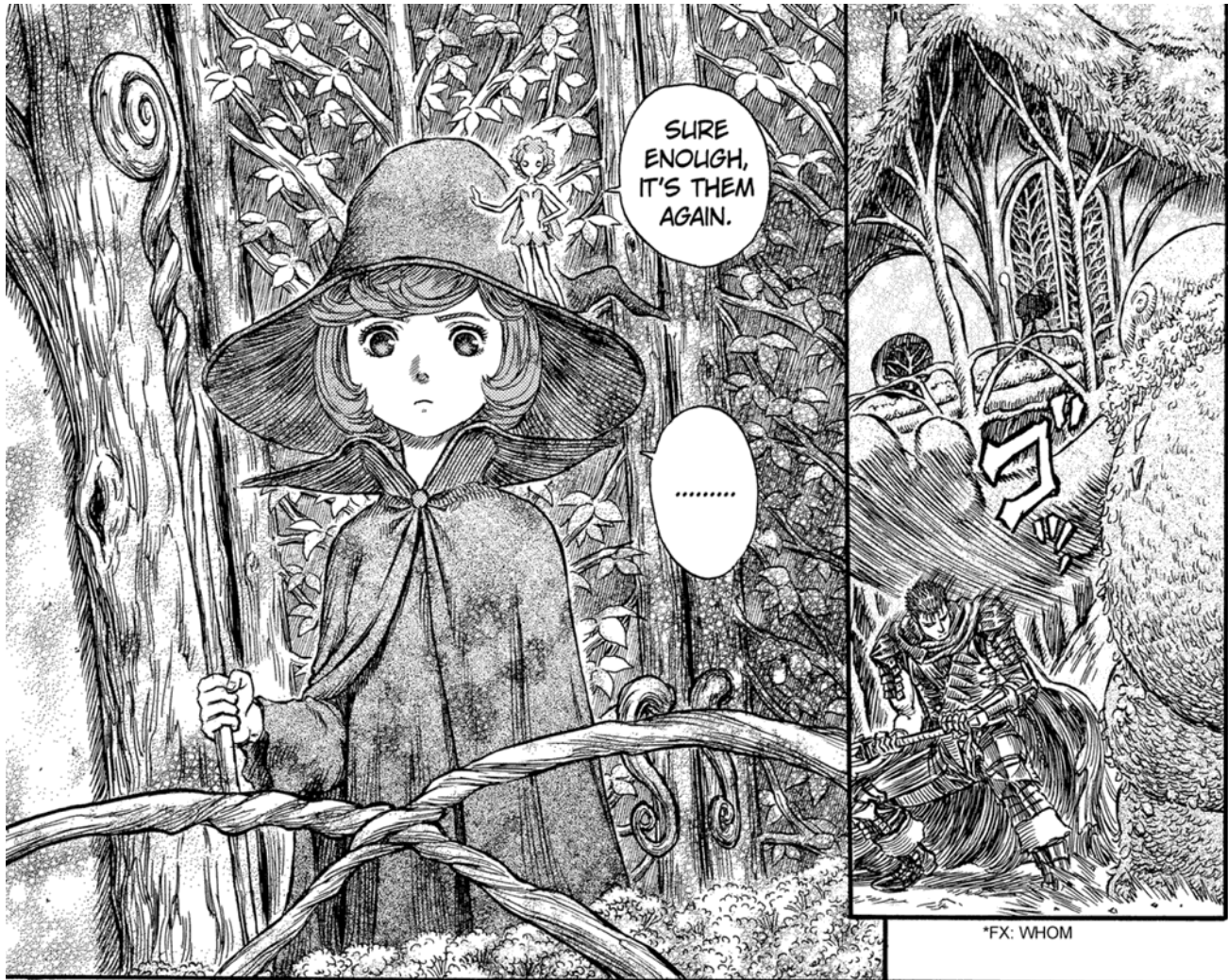


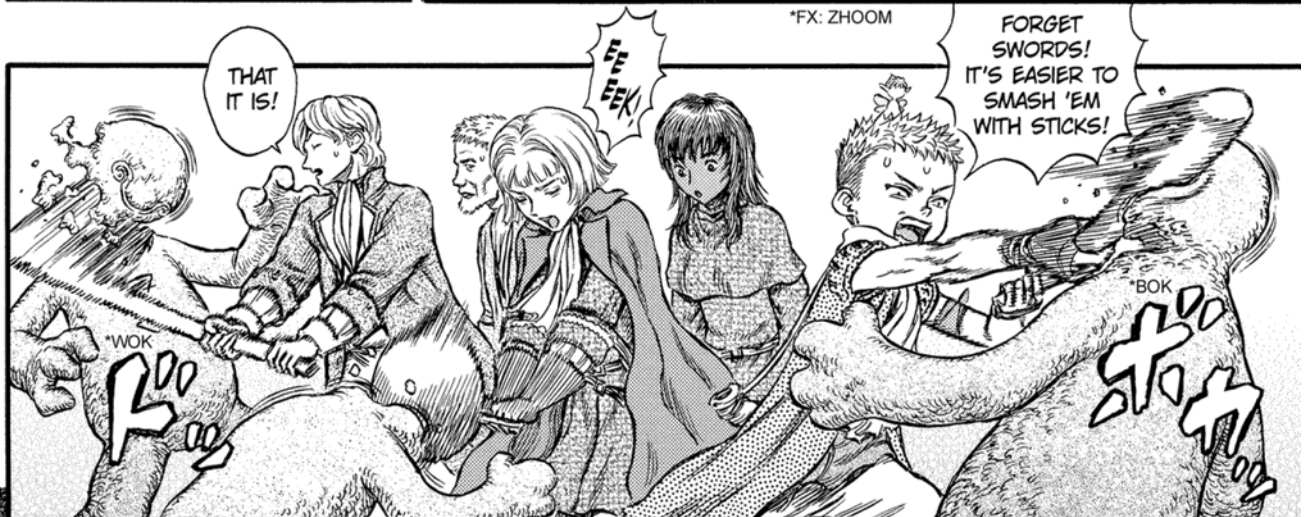
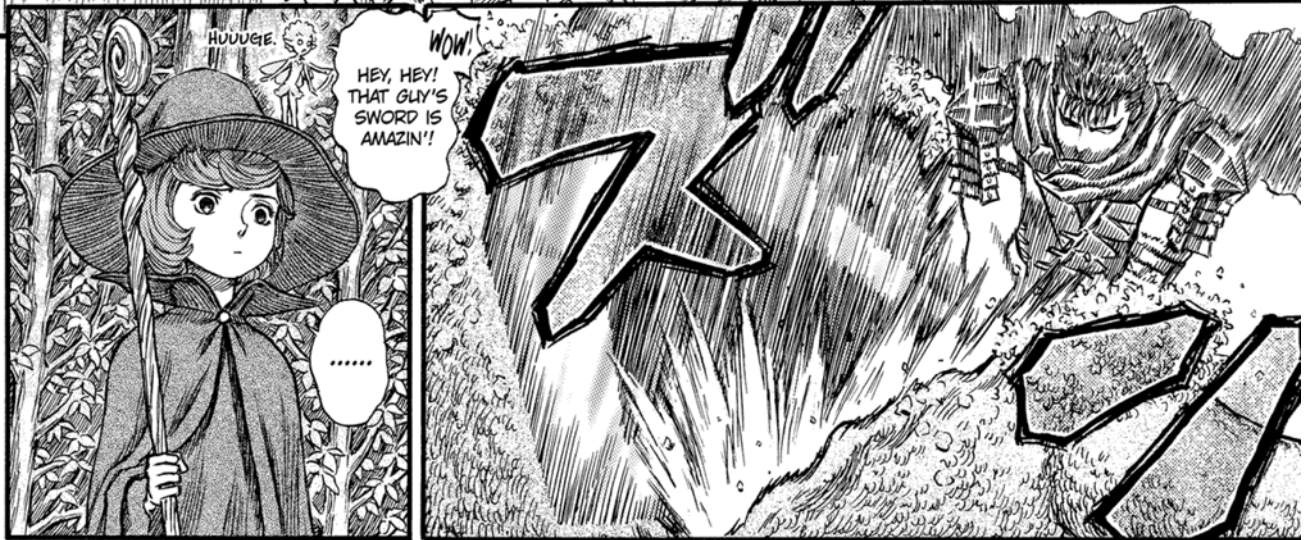
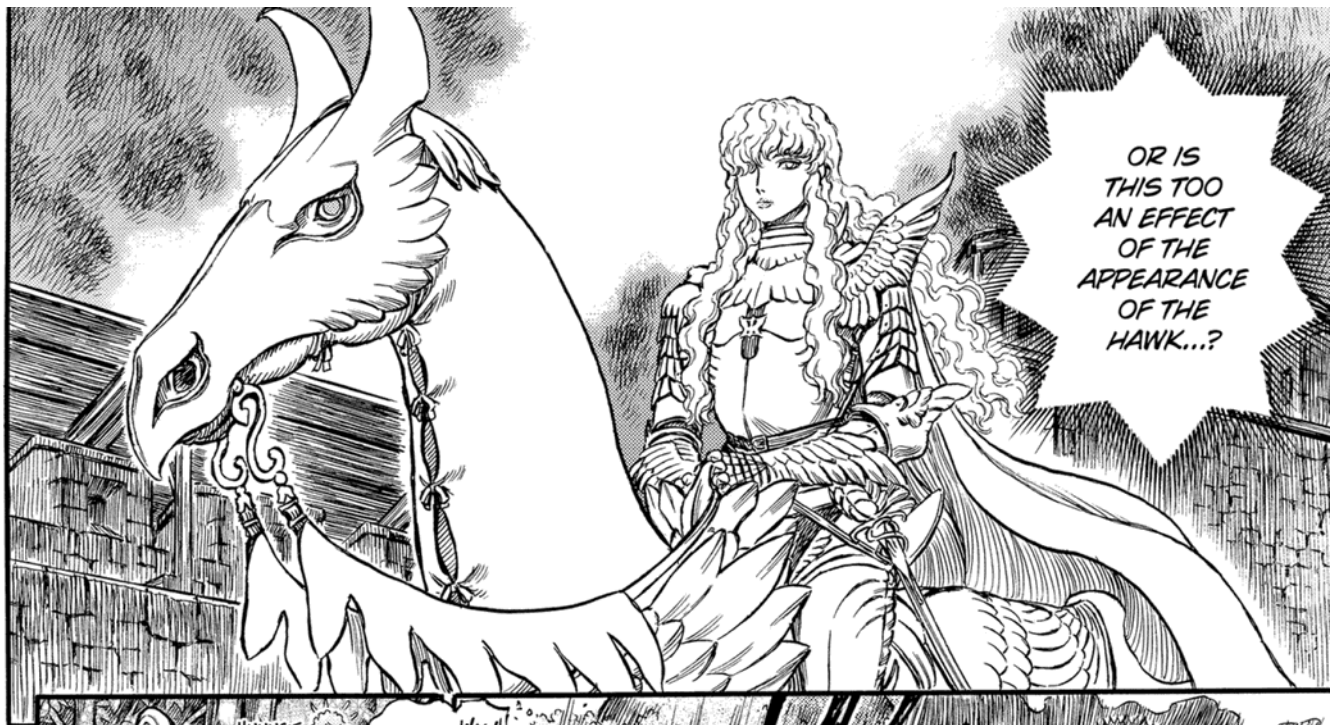


*FX: KICK!











...SOMEHOW
THEY SEEM
ACCUSTOMED
TO THIS?



OH...



THAT
THEY
DO.

THEIR
DUMB FACES
MAKE 'EM
LESS
FRIGHT-
ENIN'.

WHEN
YOU THINK
ABOUT IT,
THEY'RE
NOT MUCH
DIFFERENT
THAN THE
USUAL
SPIRITS!



*THUD



*FX: BENG

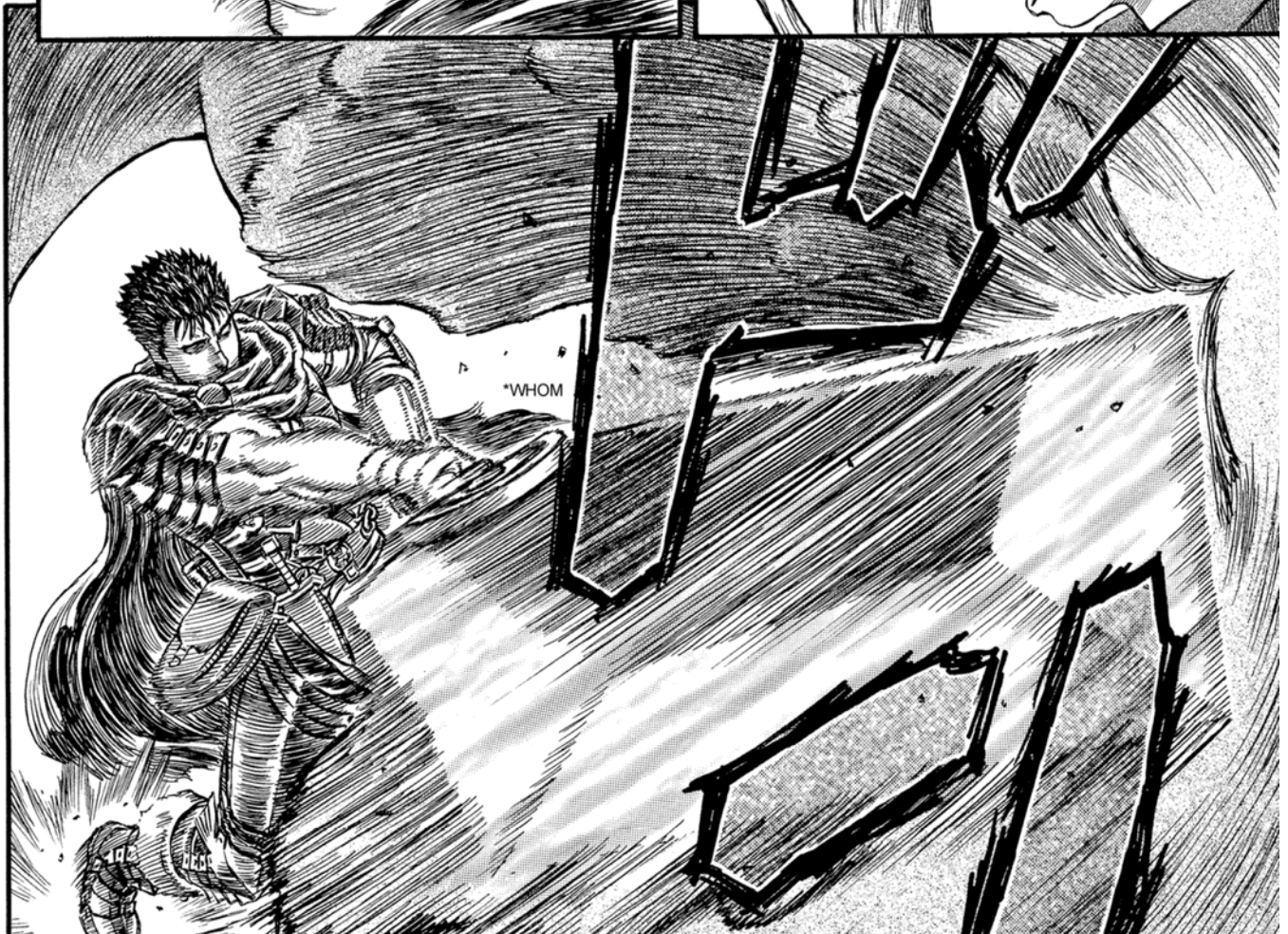
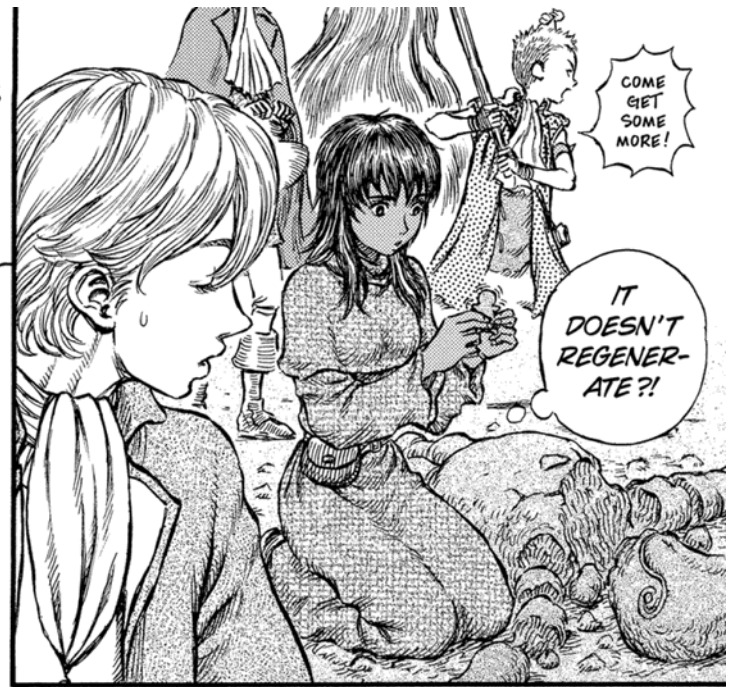


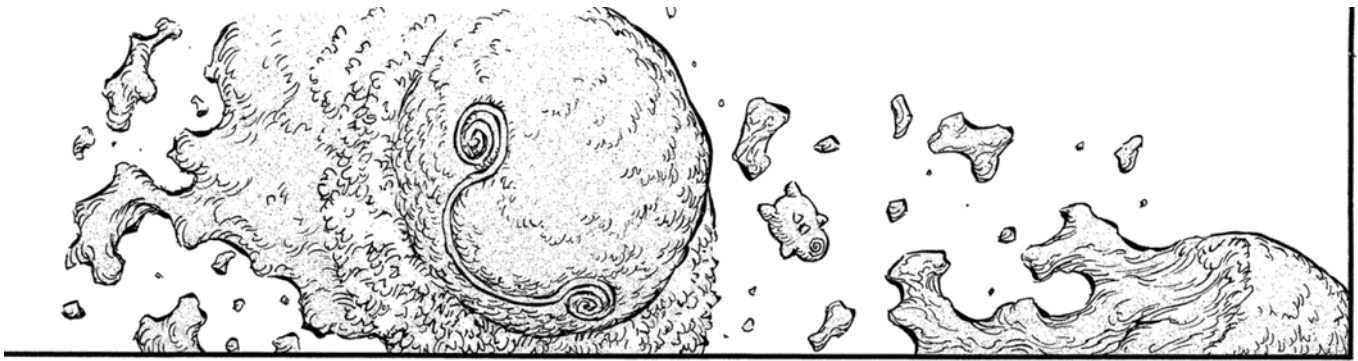
WHAT'S
THAT?!

!

*TWITCH

*TWITCH

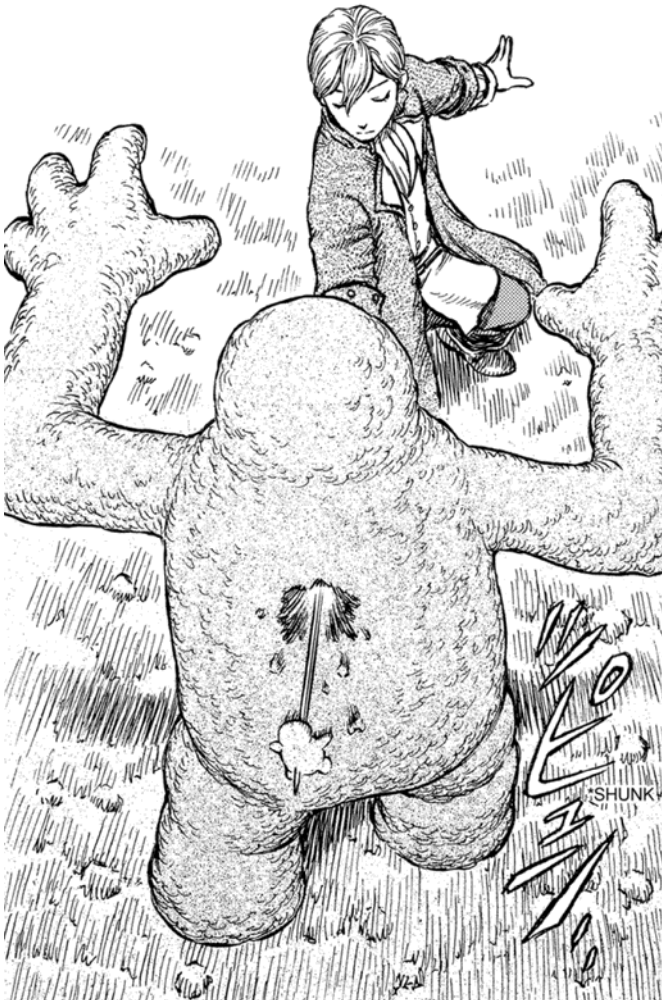




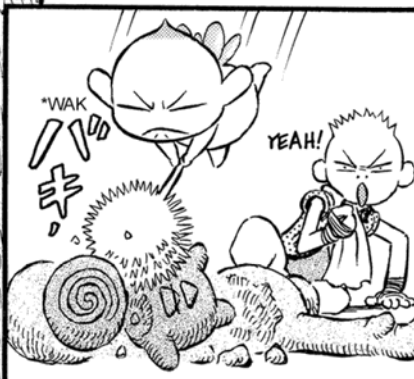
*FX: GASH

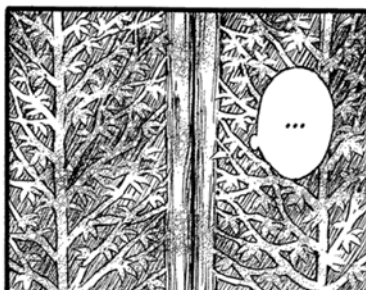
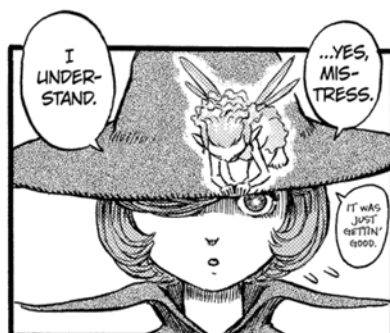
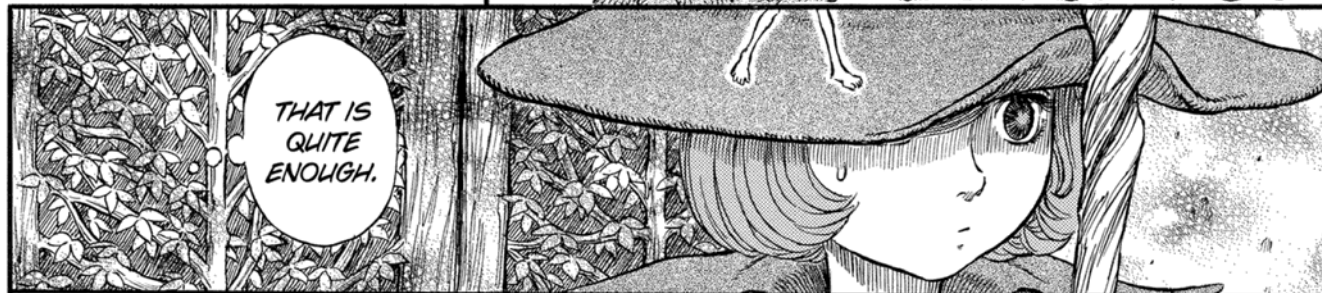


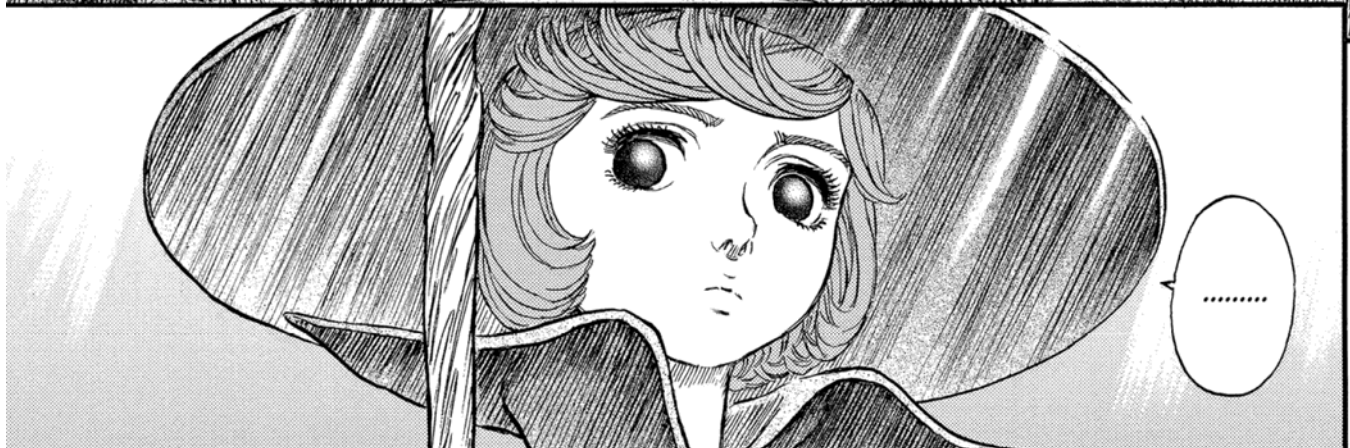
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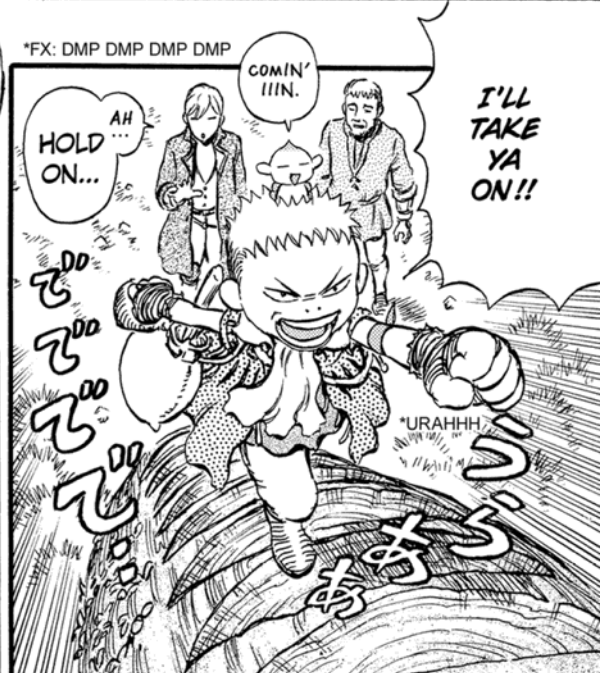
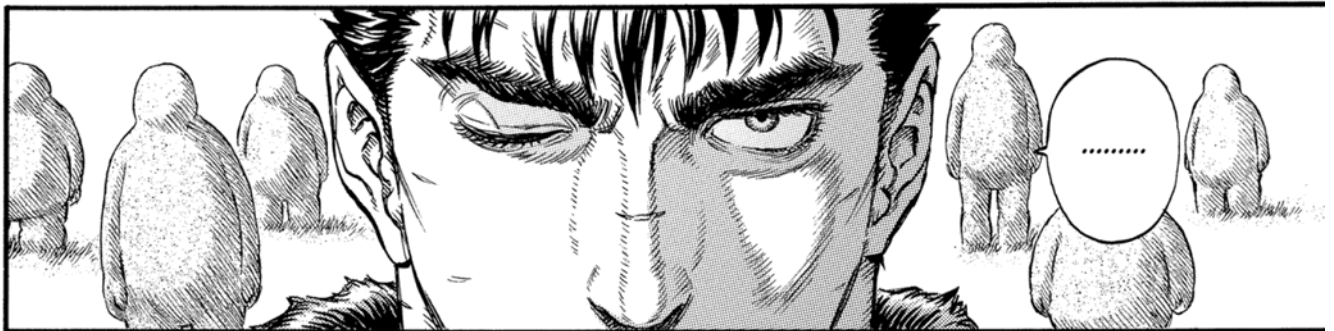
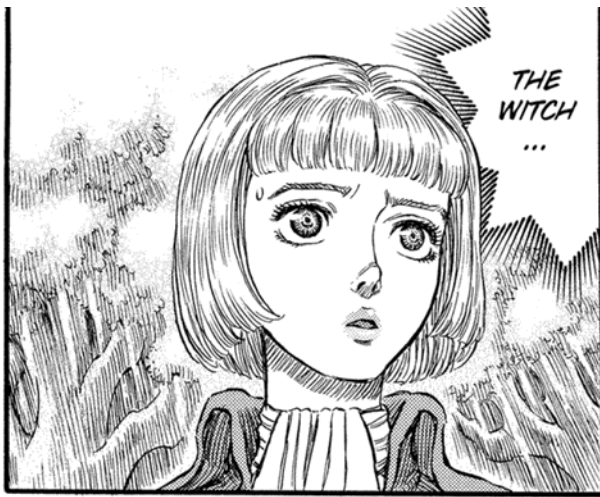


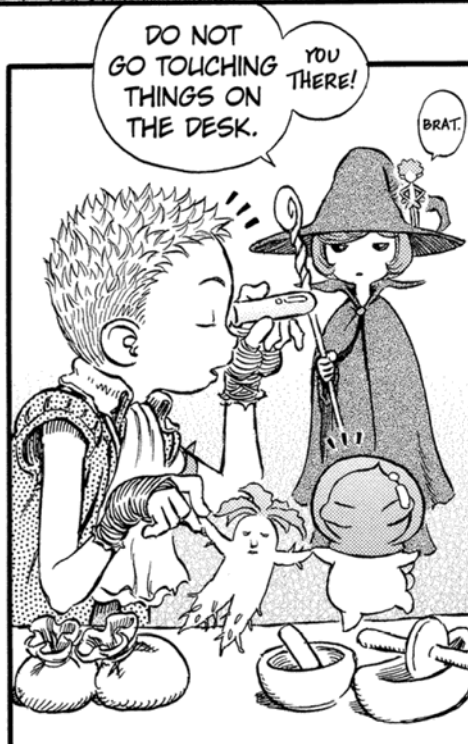
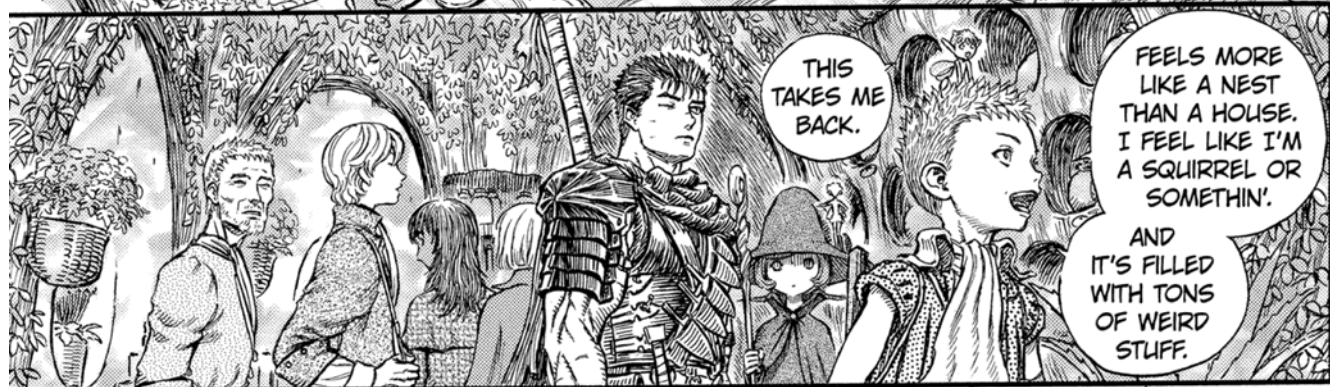
*FX: WHOP

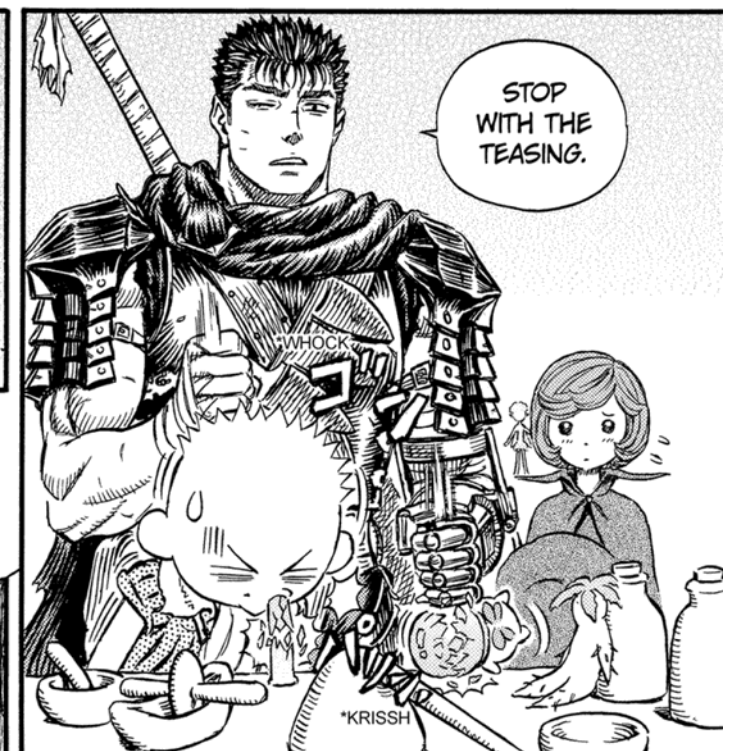
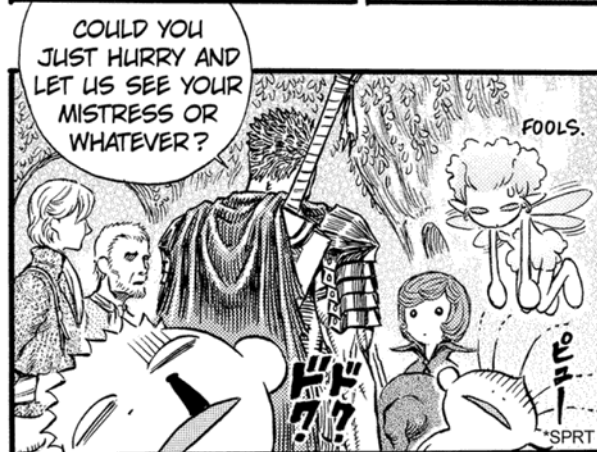
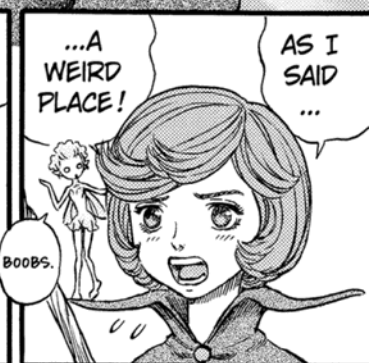
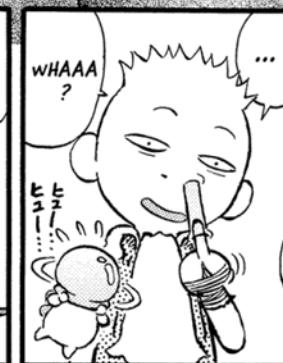
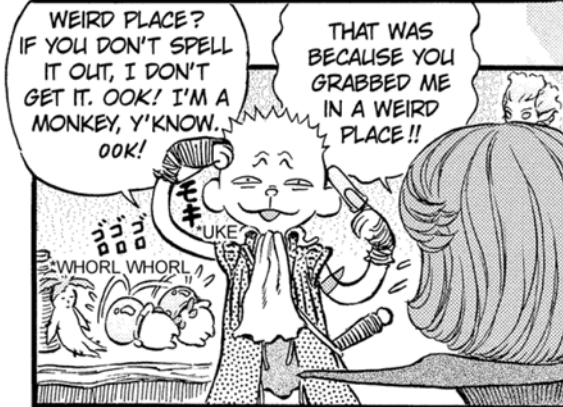


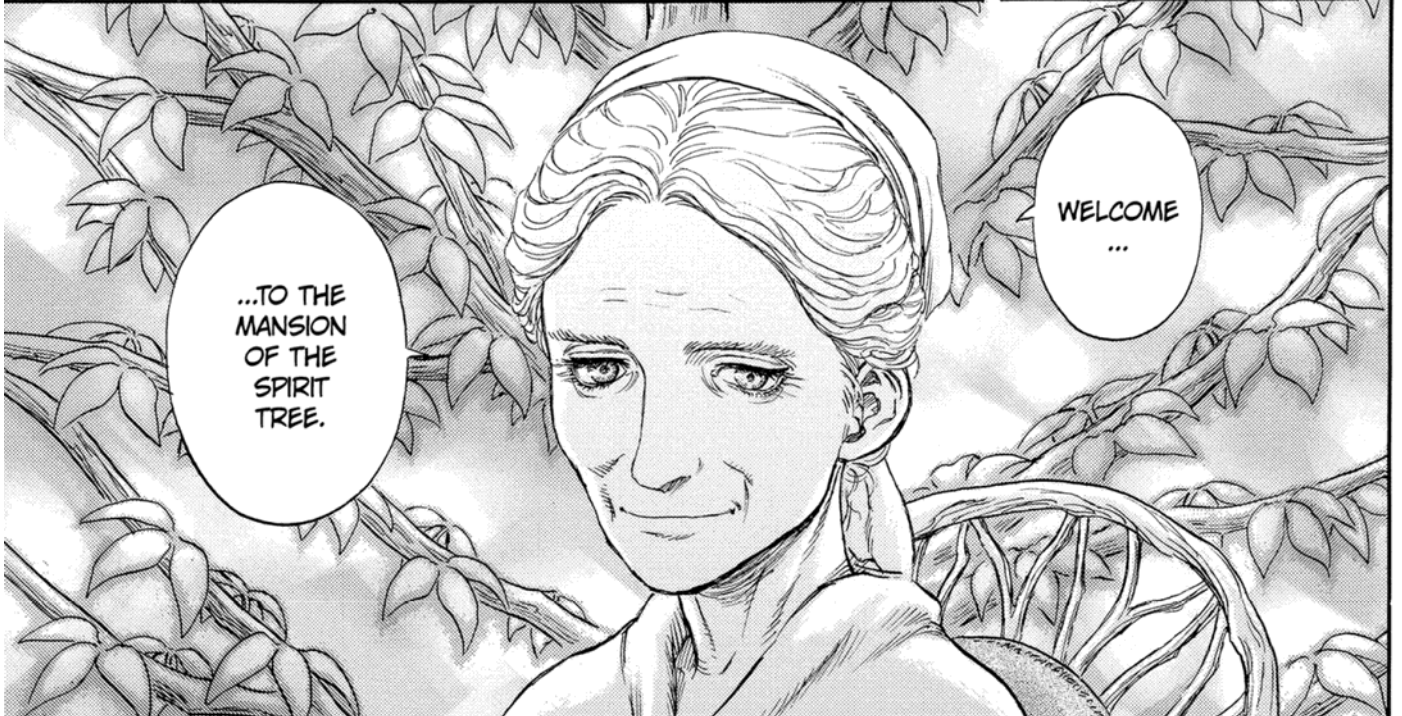
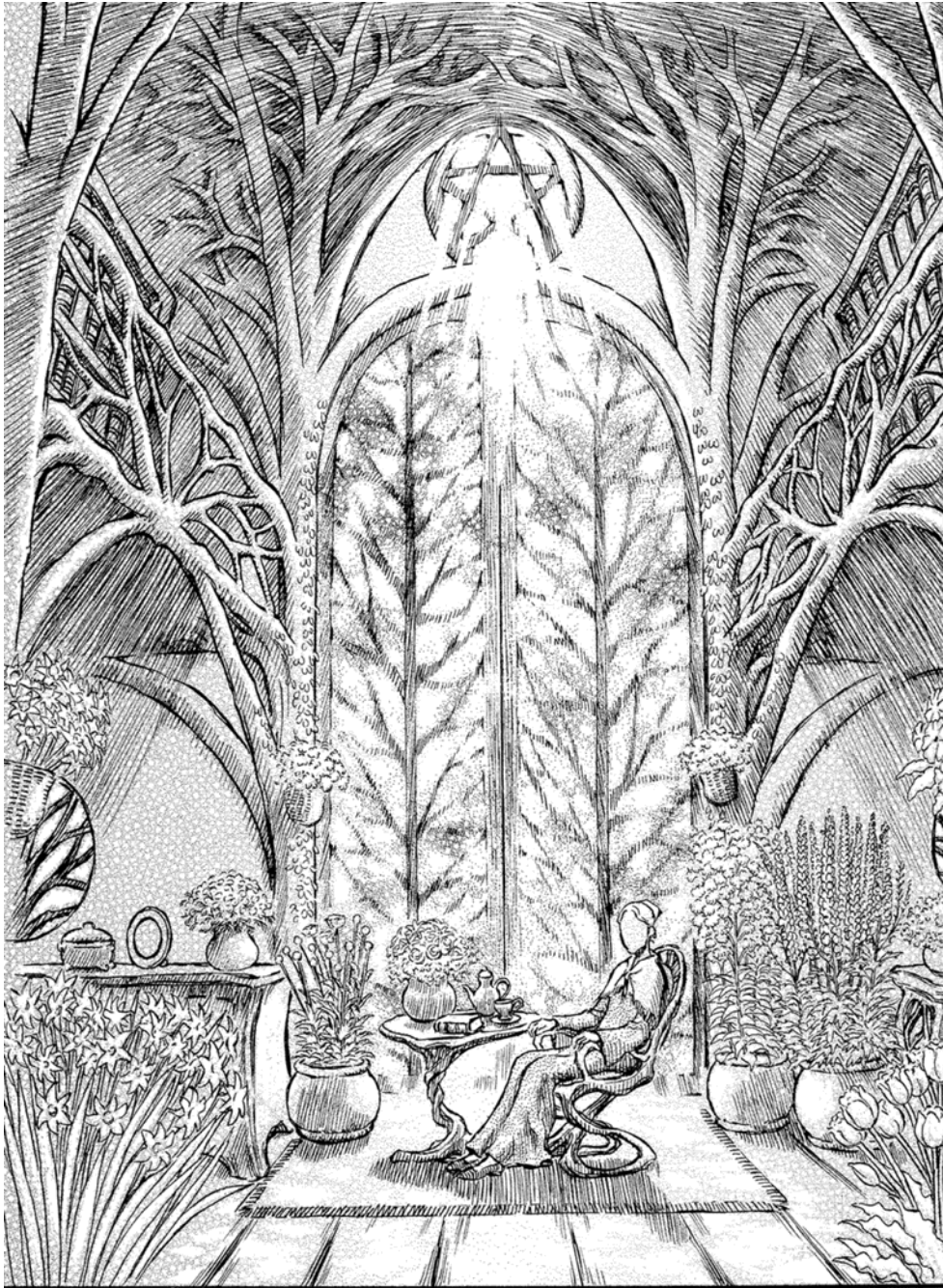


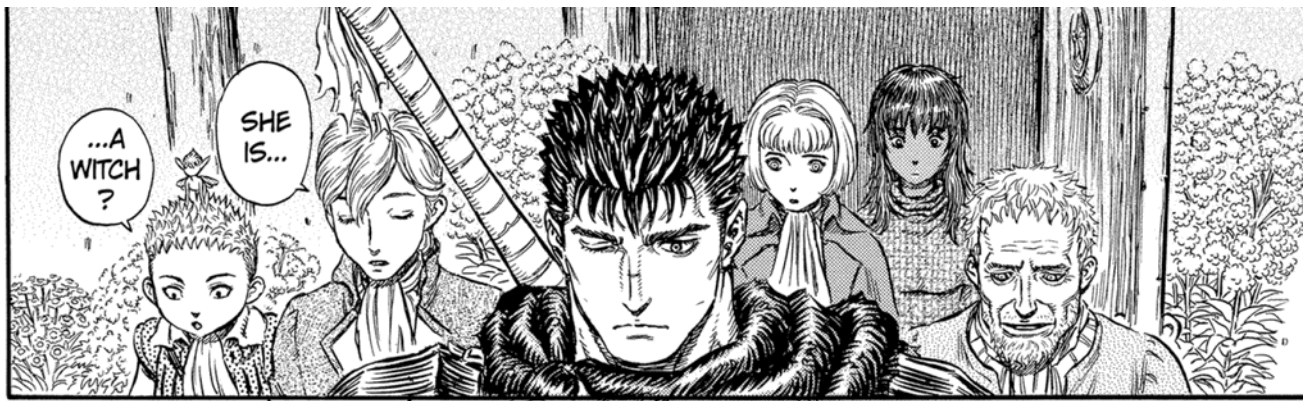






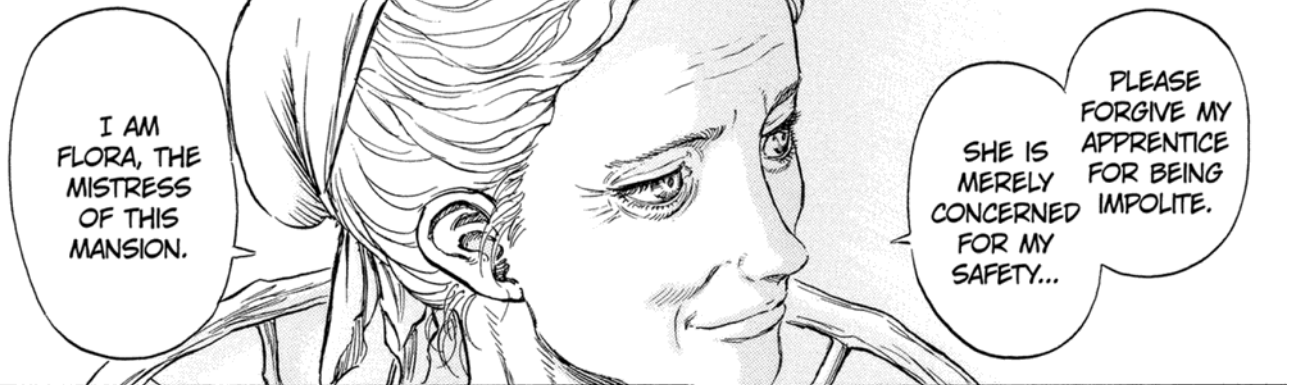






...A
WITCH
?

SHE
IS...



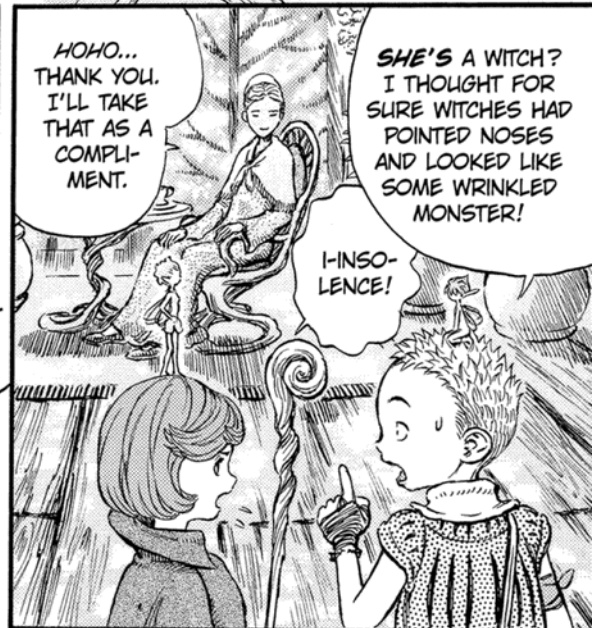
I AM
FLORA,
THE
MISTRESS
OF THIS
MANSION.

PLEASE
FORGIVE MY
APPRENTICE
FOR BEING
IMPOLITE.
SHE IS
MERELY
CONCERNED
FOR MY
SAFETY...



...SURELY
THE ONE
FROM...

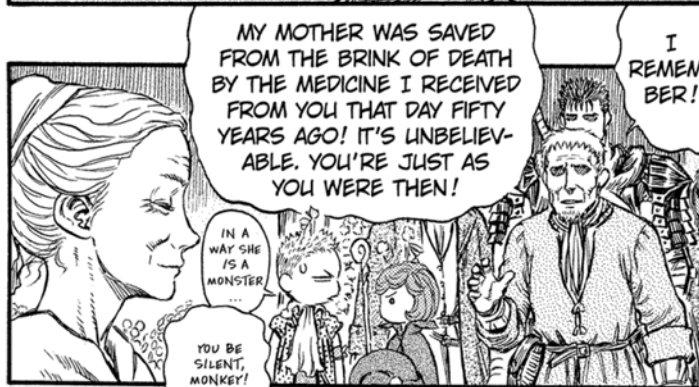
OH...
YOU
ARE...



HOHO...
THANK YOU.
I'LL TAKE
THAT AS A
COMPLI-
MENT.

SHE'S A WITCH?
I THOUGHT FOR
SURE WITCHES HAD
POINTED NOSES
AND LOOKED LIKE
SOME WRINKLED
MONSTER!

I-INSO-
LENCE!

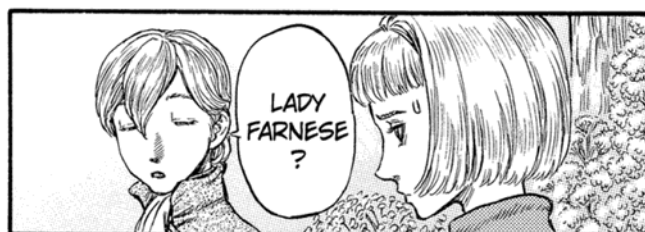


MY MOTHER WAS SAVED
FROM THE BRINK OF DEATH
BY THE MEDICINE I RECEIVED
FROM YOU THAT DAY FIFTY
YEARS AGO! IT'S UNBELIEV-
ABLE. YOU'RE JUST AS
YOU WERE THEN!

I REMEM-
BER!

IN A
WAY SHE
IS A
MONSTER

YOU BE
SILENT,
MONKEY!



LADY
FARNESE
?

YOU
WERE
THAT
BOY.

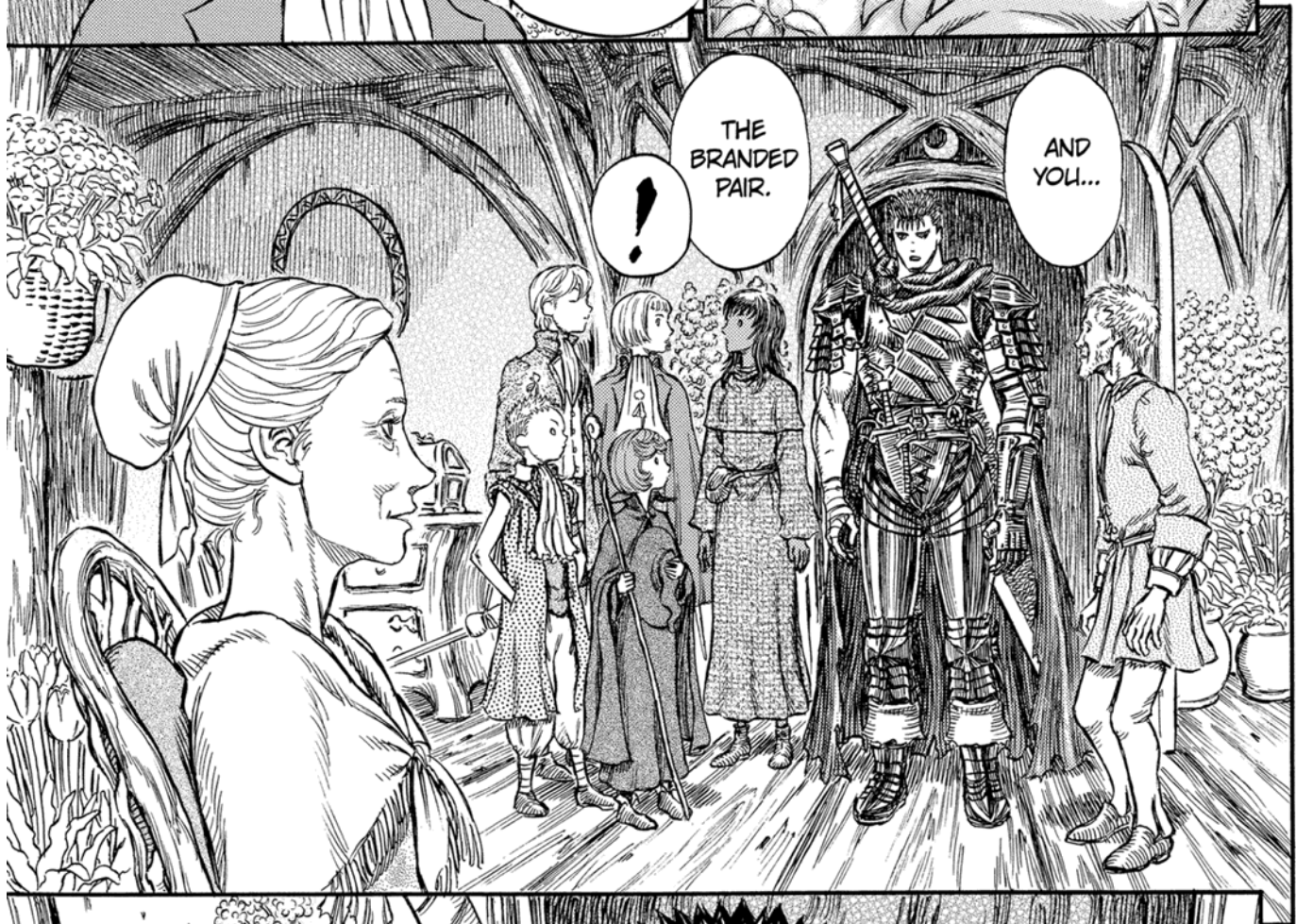
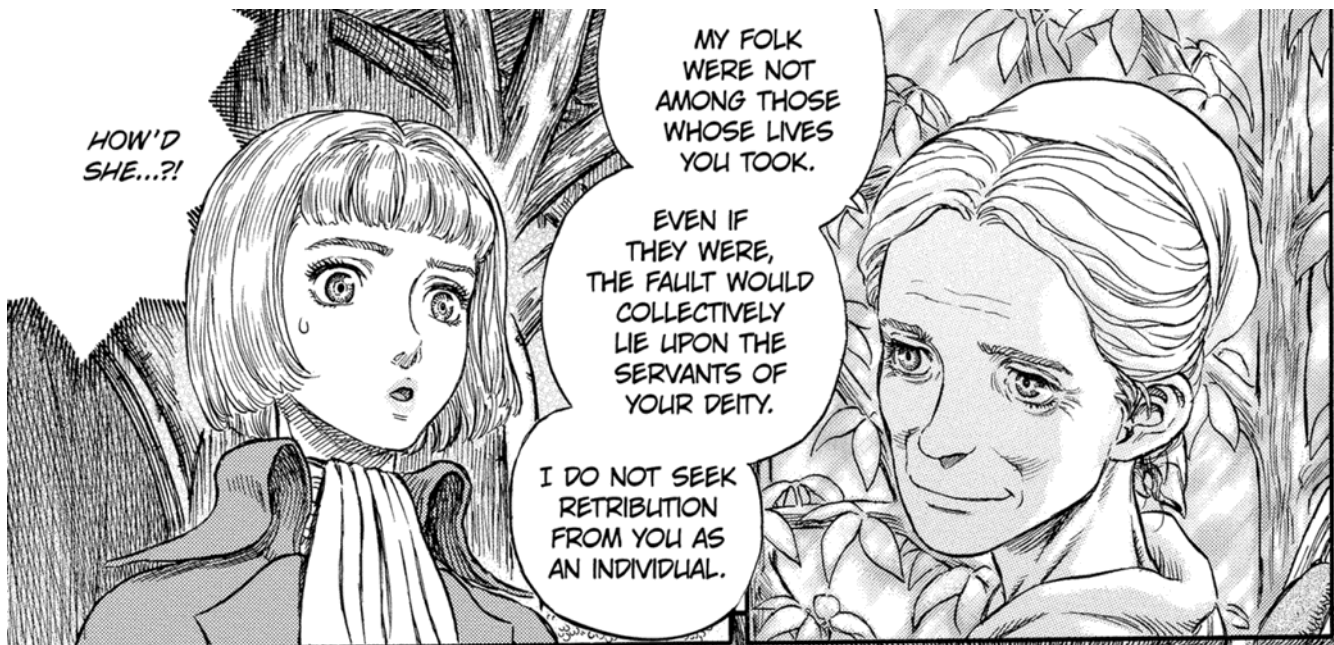
I TOO
REMEM-
BER.

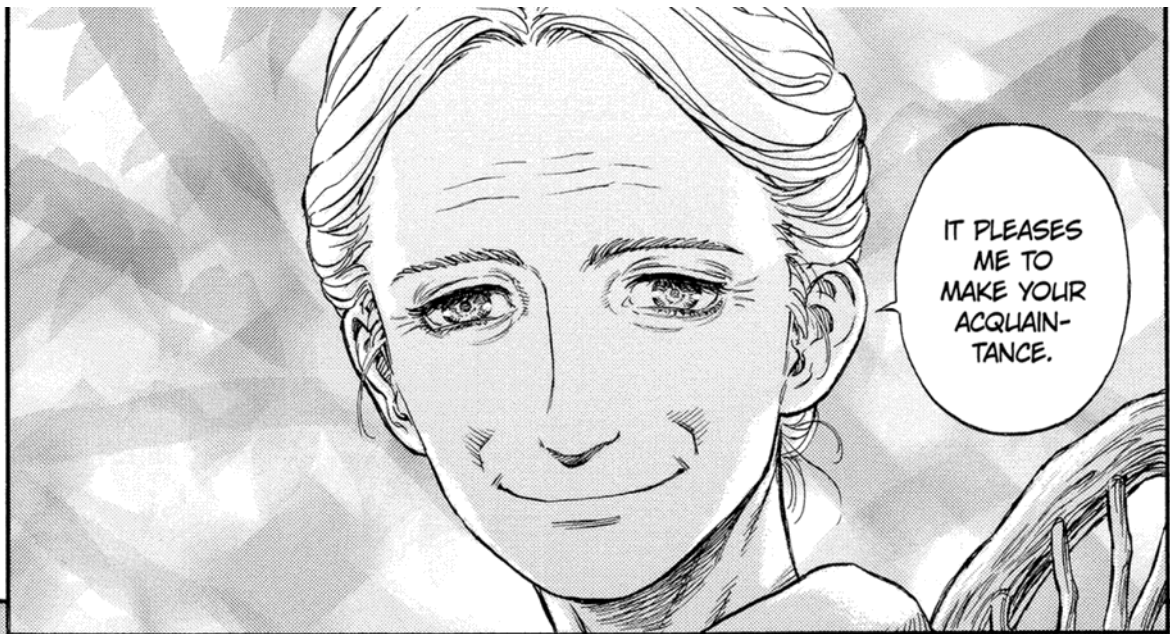


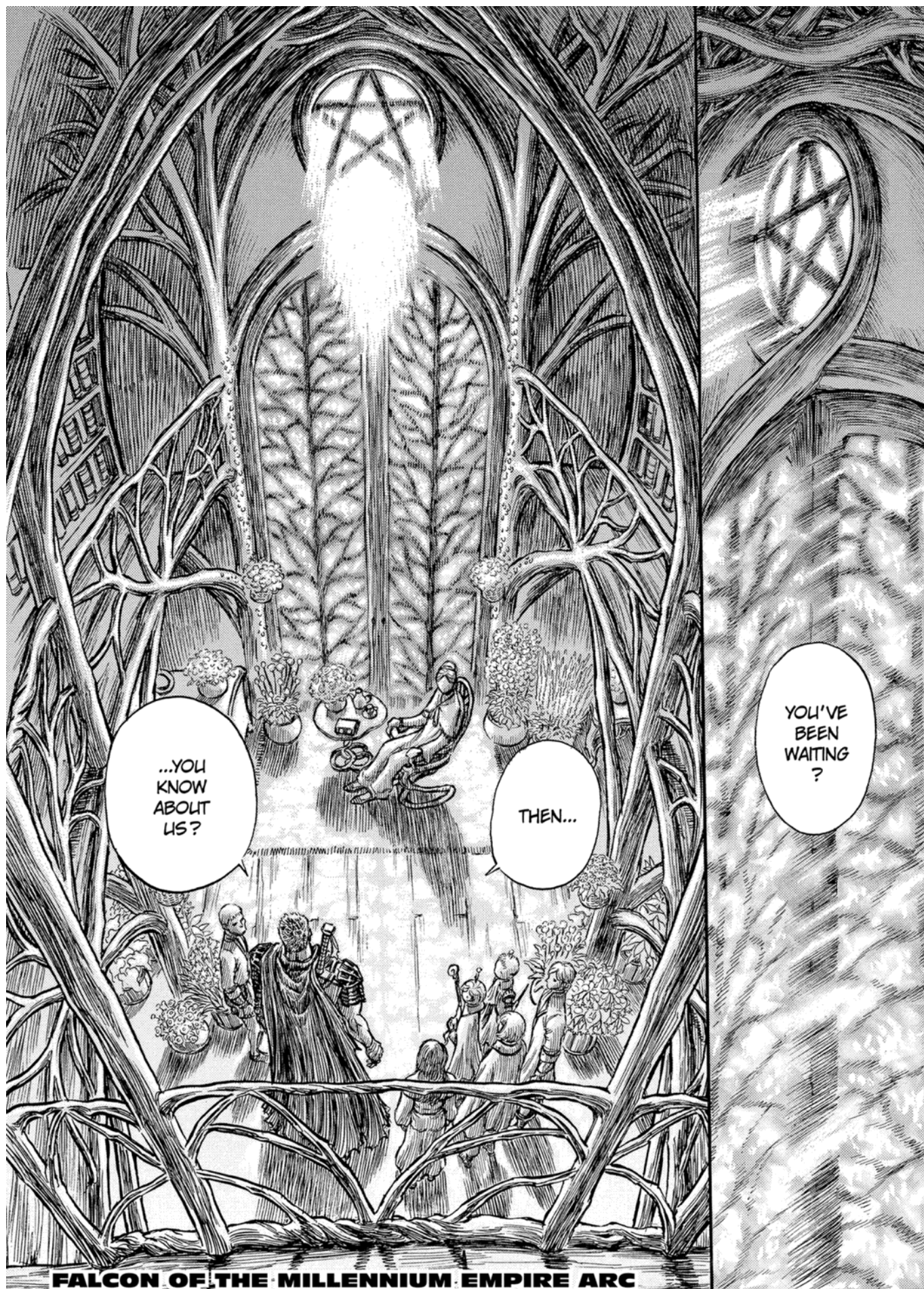
...YOU
NEEDN'T
BE SO FRIGHT-
ENED.

YOUNG
LADY...

HOW
NOSTAL-
GIC.







...YOU
KNOW
ABOUT
US?

THEN...

YOU'VE
BEEN
WAITING
?

FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC
THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER
THE ASTRAL WORLD

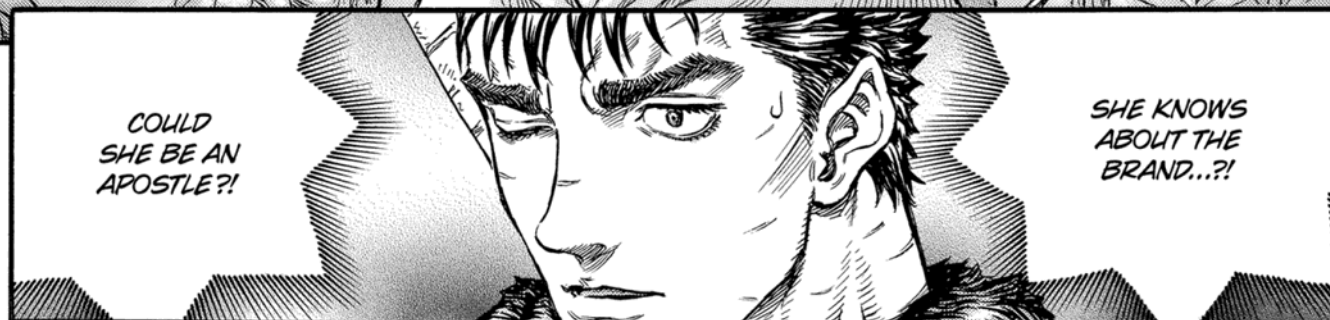
かく りよ
幽 界



I HAVE
AWAITED
YOU.

THEY OF
THE BRAND,
GLIDED
BY TINY
WINGS.

YES.



COULD
SHE BE AN
APOSTLE?!

SHE KNOWS
ABOUT THE
BRAND...?!



...THIS
FEELING...

NO...
BUT...

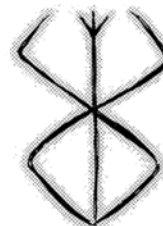


THEY
OF THE
BRAND
...?

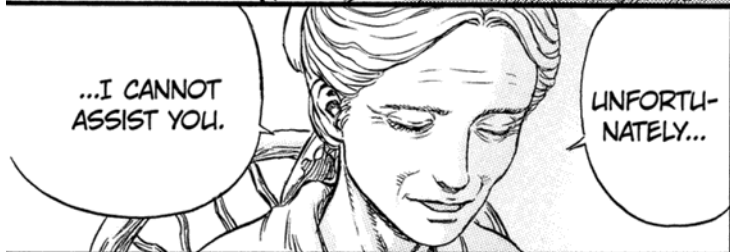
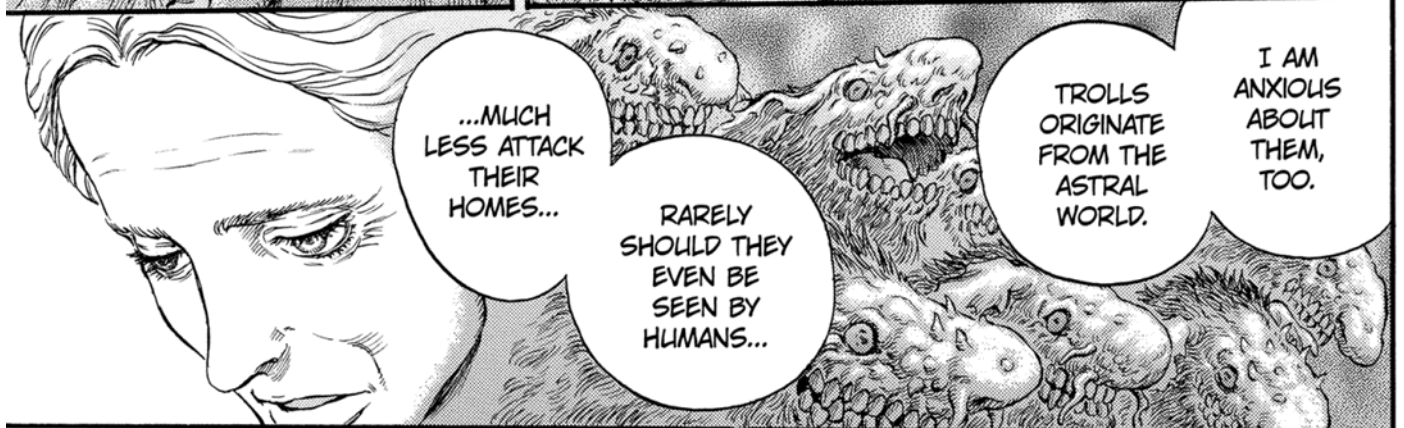
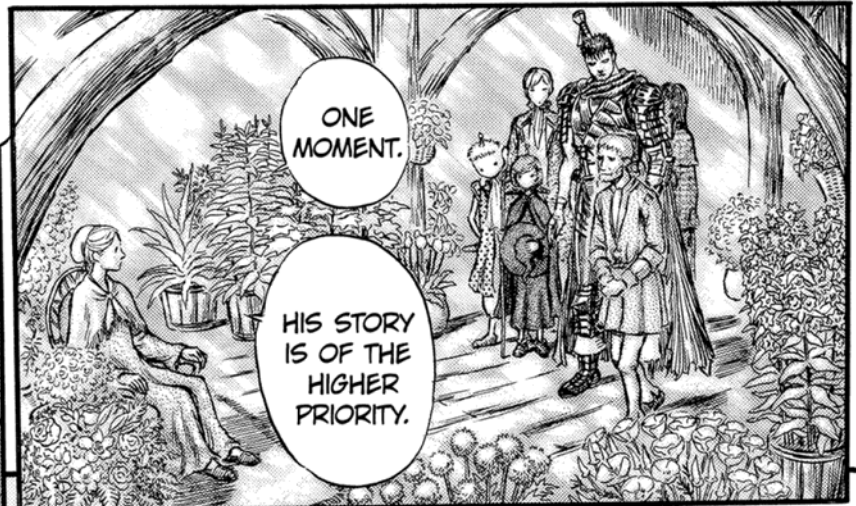
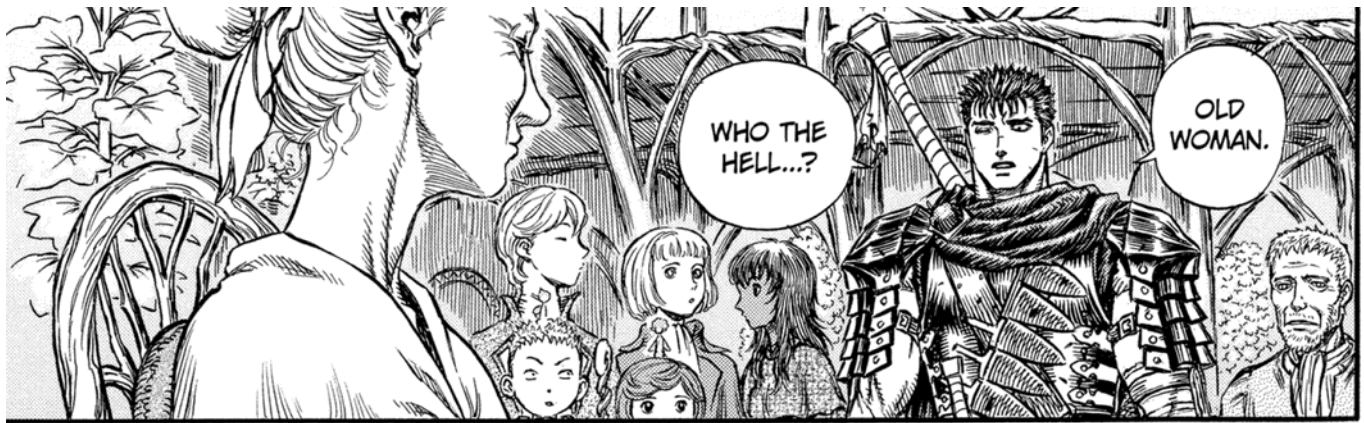


.....

IT ACHES
FAINTLY...



...BUT...
SOMETHING'S
DIFFERENT...





...NEITHER
THE
STRENGTH
...

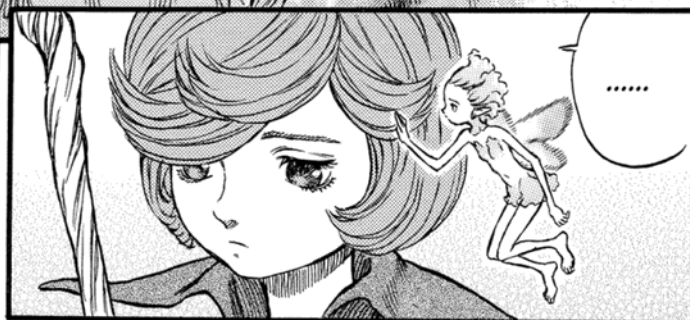
...NOR THE
TIME LEFT
TO LEAVE
THIS
PLACE.

THIS
OLD BODY
HAS...



WH-
WHAT
?
IF LOOKS
COULD
KILL...

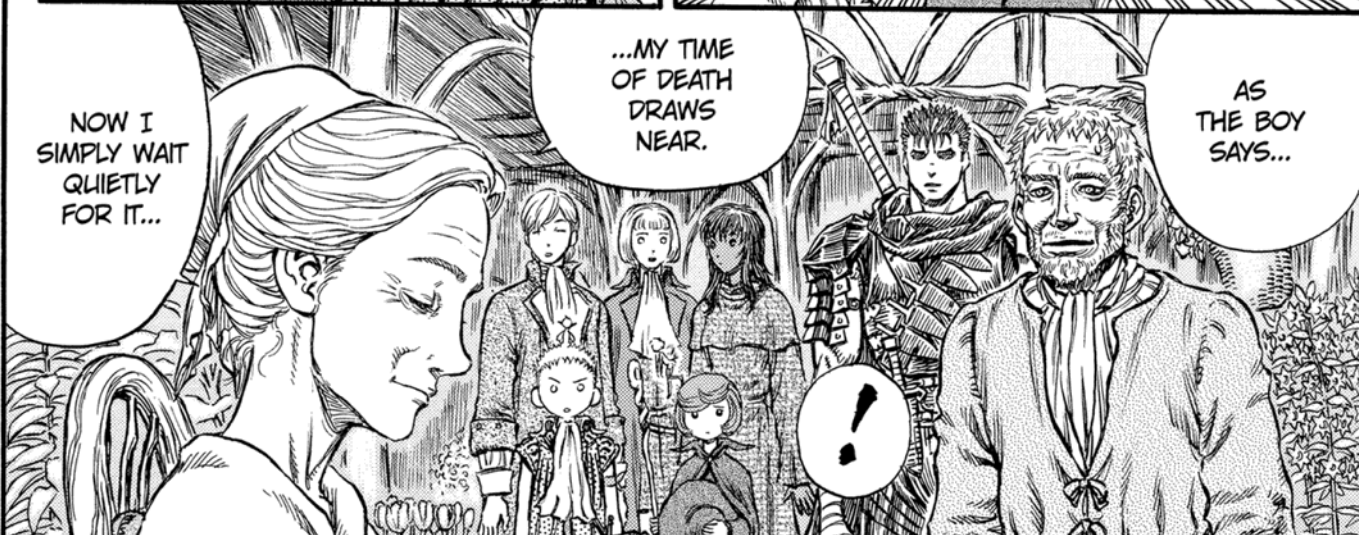
YOU'RE
A BIT
INSEN-
SITIVE!



*FX: GLARE



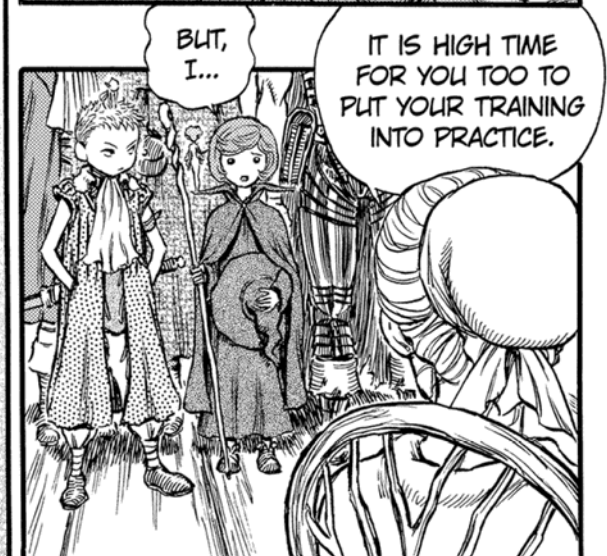
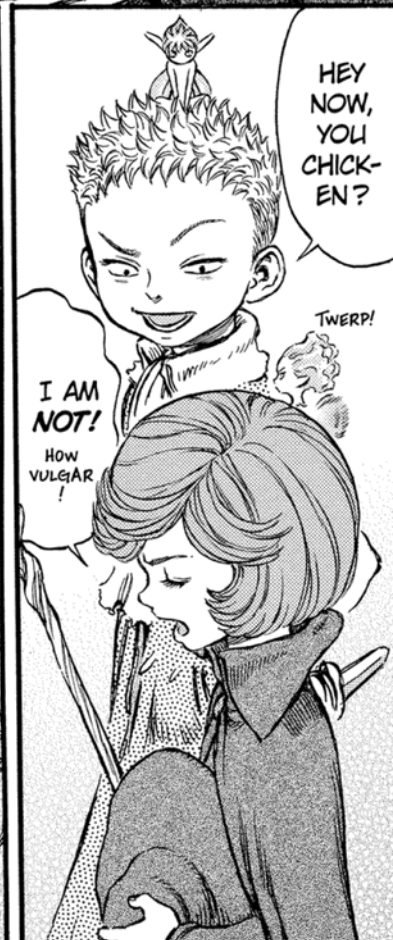
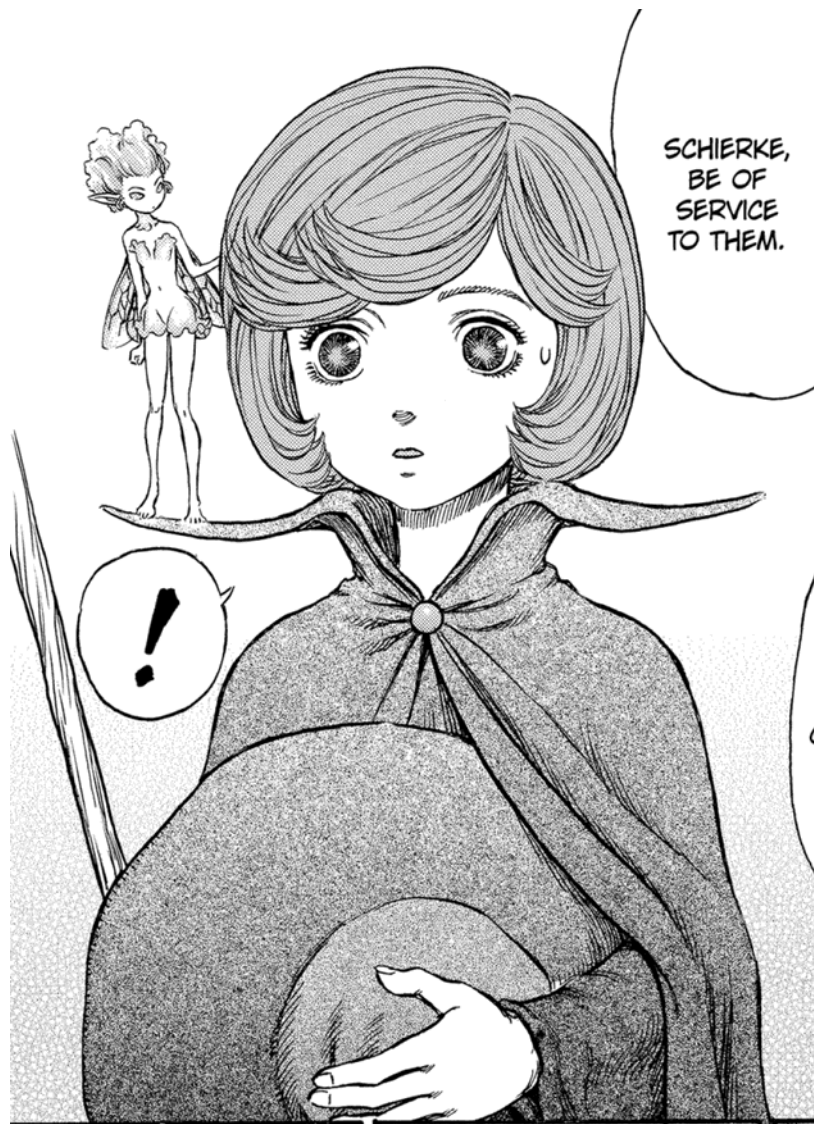
THE WAY
YOU TALK,
IT SOUNDS
LIKE YOU'RE
GONNA DIE.



NOW I
SIMPLY WAIT
QUIETLY
FOR IT...

...MY TIME
OF DEATH
DRAWS
NEAR.

AS
THE BOY
SAYS...





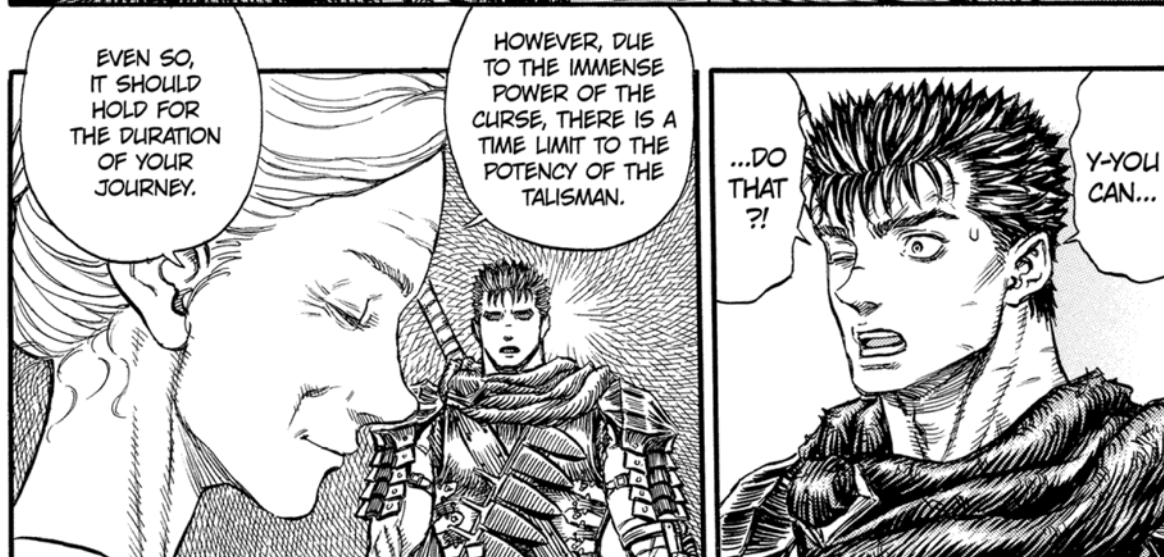
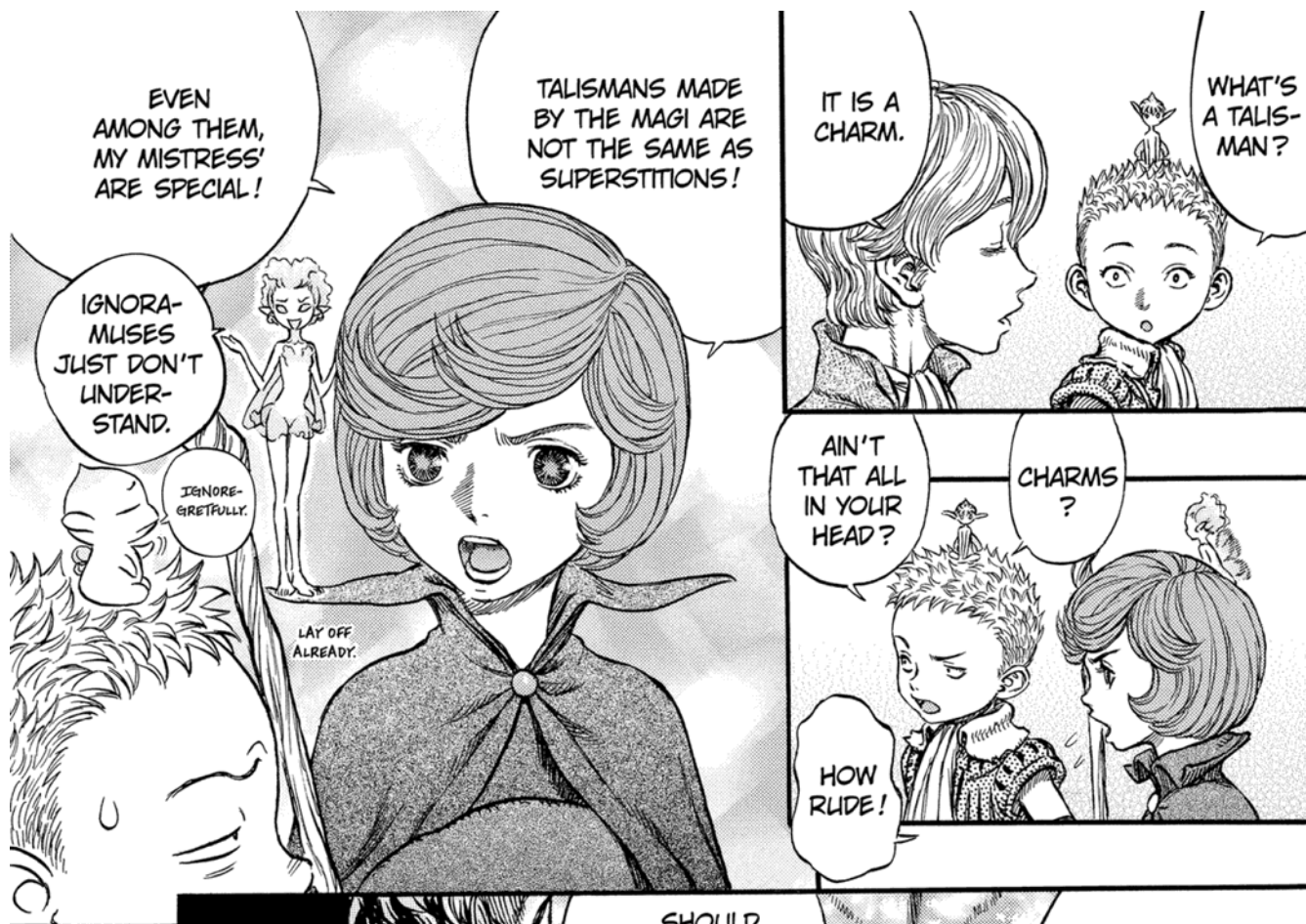
I THINK
I MIGHT BE
OF SOME
USE TO
YOU AS
WELL.

NATURALLY,
I DO NOT
ASK YOUR
HELP FOR
FREE.

I
UNDERSTAND
YOU'RE
WORRIED
ABOUT YOUR
FAVORITE
STUDENT,
BUT WE'VE
GOT NO
OBLIGATION
TO GO THAT
FAR. SORRY,
BUT WE'VE
GOTTA STICK
TO OUR
JOURNEY.

WHOA,
WHOA.







...
AGAINST
THAT.

IT'LL
PROTECT
...



I
KNEW
WHY.

SO
THAT'S
WHY...

YEAH.

IS THAT
FOOLISH
OR
DARING
...?

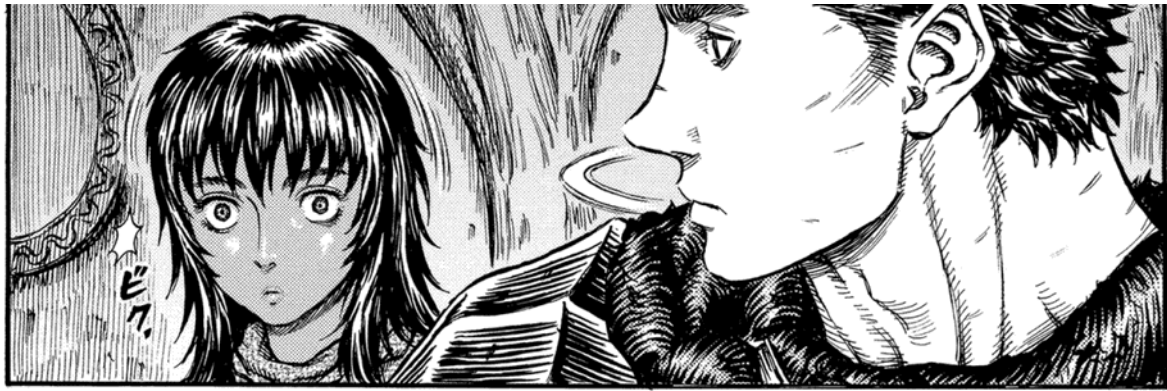


HAVE
YOU BEEN
ON THIS
JOURNEY
WITH THEM
NOT EVEN
KNOWING
THAT?

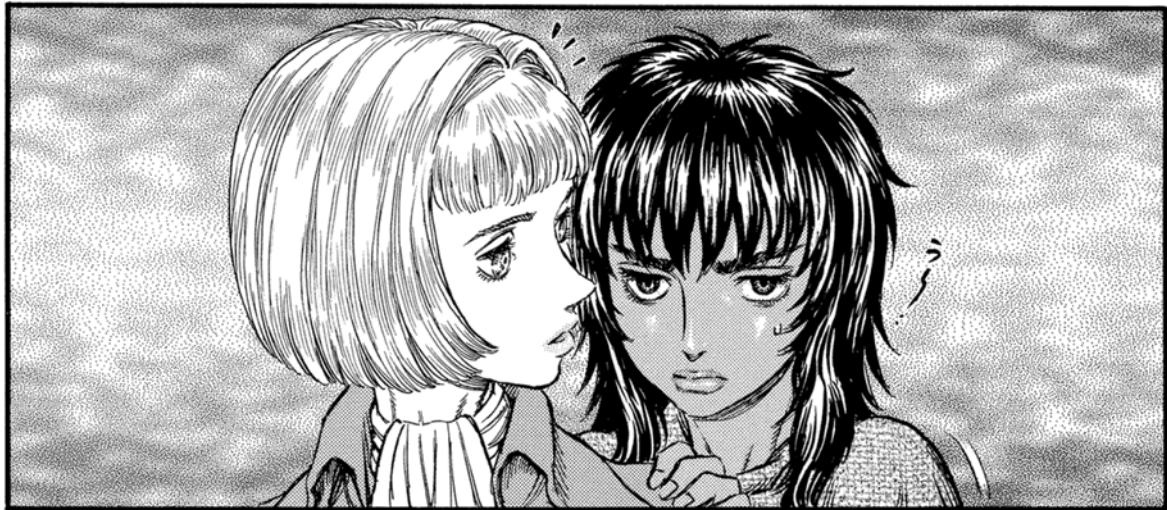
SO THAT'S
WHAT THAT
BRAND
DOES.

OH,
OKAY.

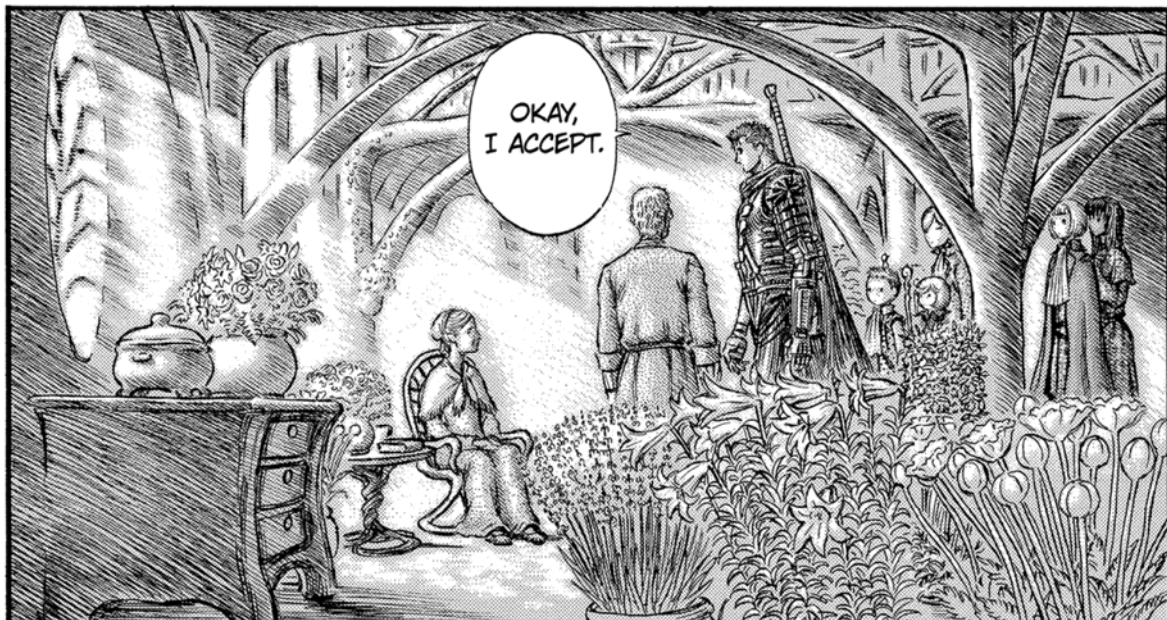
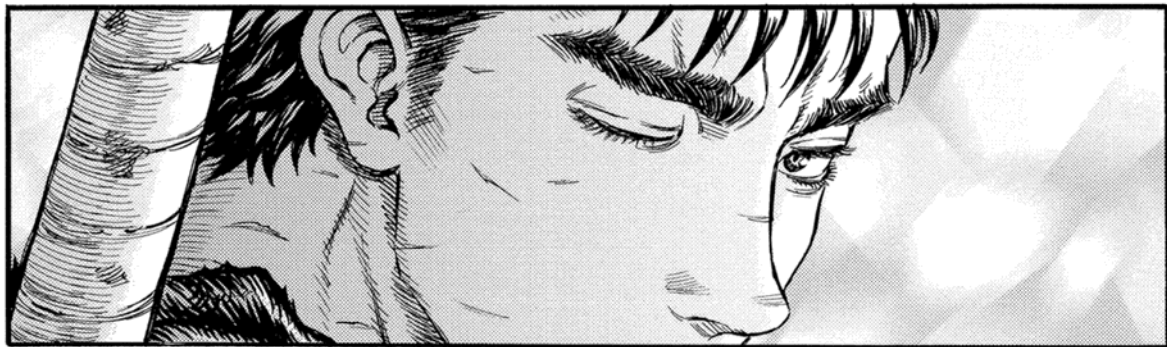
NO
WONDER
THEY
SWARM
EVERY
NIGHT...



*FX: FLINCH

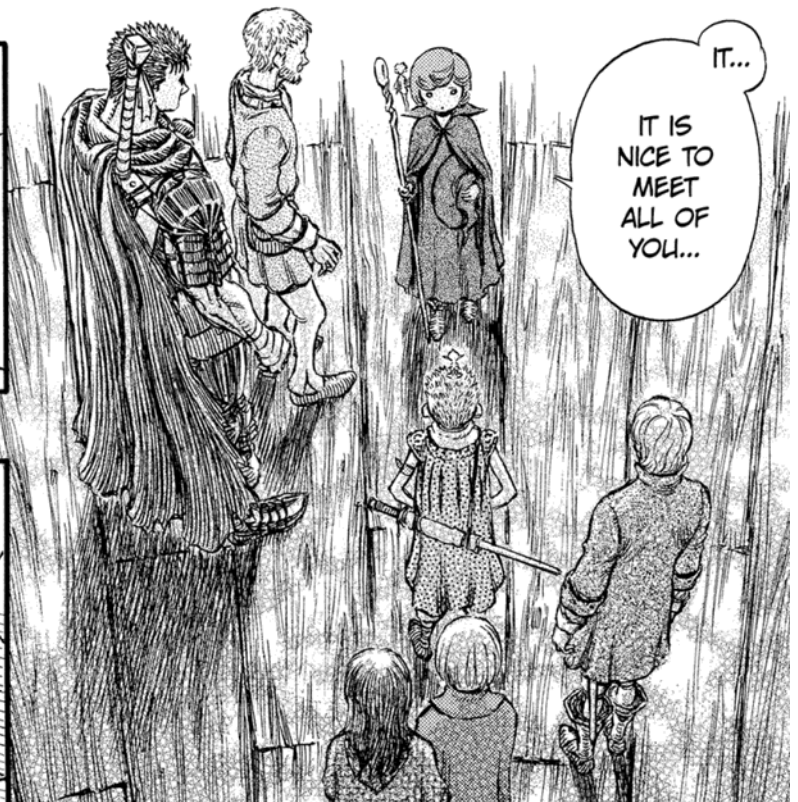


*FX: 0000





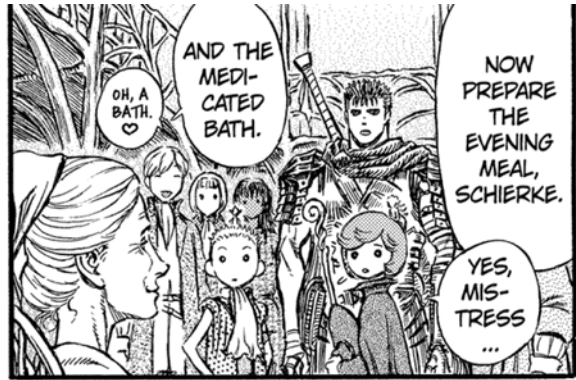
*FX: WHAP WHAP





NO
NEED TO
WORRY.

WAIT A MINUTE.
IF YOU KNOW
ABOUT THE BRAND,
YOU SHOULD ALSO
KNOW THAT WE...

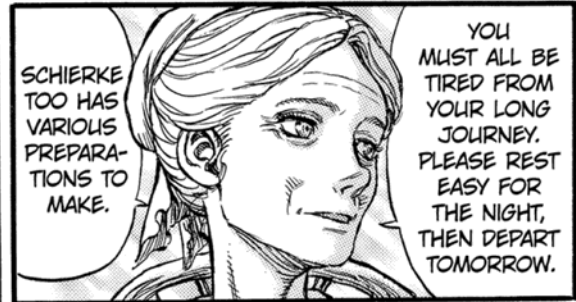


OH, A
BATH.
♡

AND THE
MEDI-
CATED
BATH.

NOW
PREPARE
THE
EVENING
MEAL,
SCHIERKE.

YES,
MIS-
TRESS
...



SCHIERKE
TOO HAS
VARIOUS
PREPARA-
TIONS TO
MAKE.

YOU
MUST ALL BE
TIRED FROM
YOUR LONG
JOURNEY.
PLEASE REST
EASY FOR
THE NIGHT,
THEN DEPART
TOMORROW.

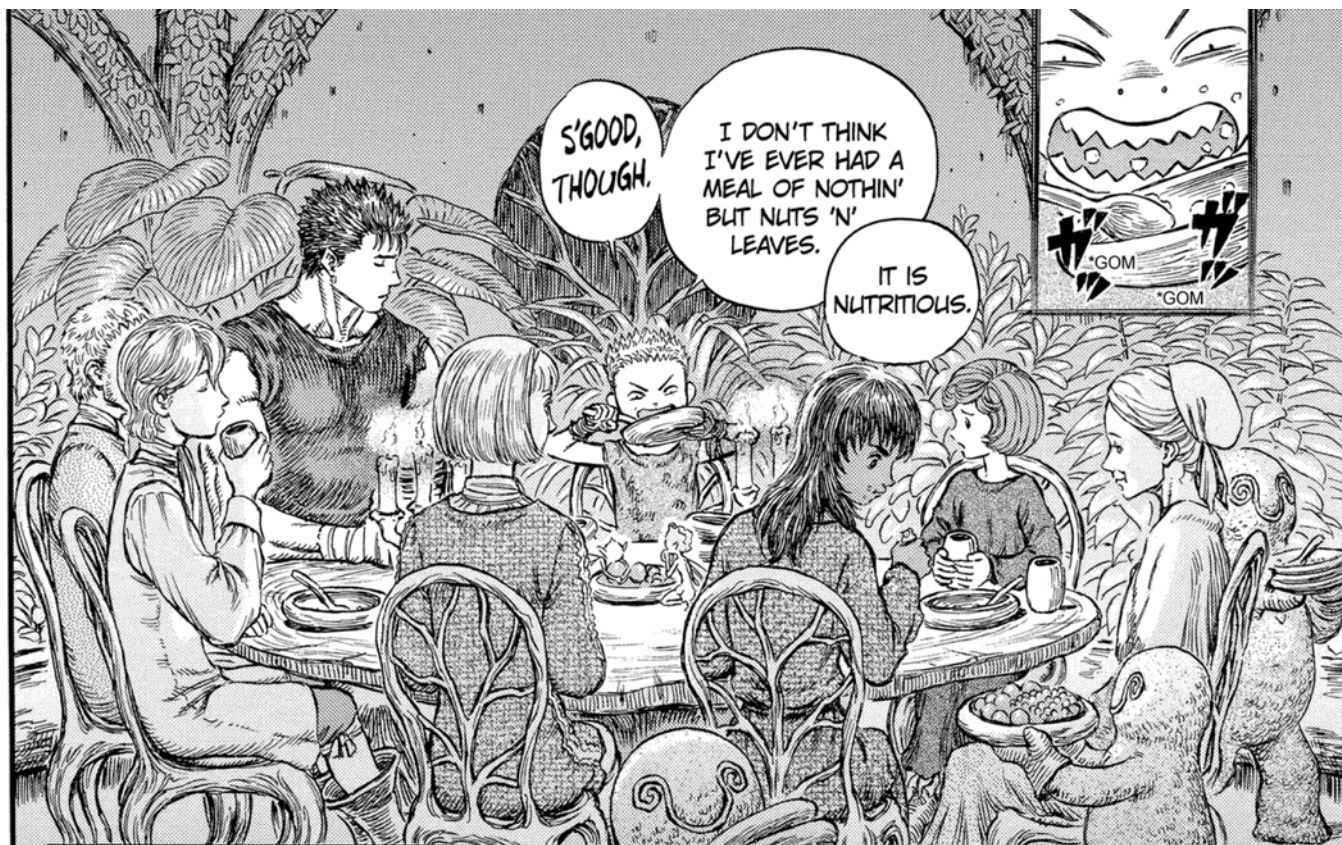


I
GUARANTEE
SAFETY
FOR THE
NIGHT.

THIS
MANSION IS
PROTECTED
BY TALISMANS
AS WELL.



YOU
MAY REST
EASY.



S'GOOD,
THOUGH.

I DON'T THINK
I'VE EVER HAD A
MEAL OF NOTHIN'
BUT NUTS 'N'
LEAVES.

IT IS
NUTRITIOUS.

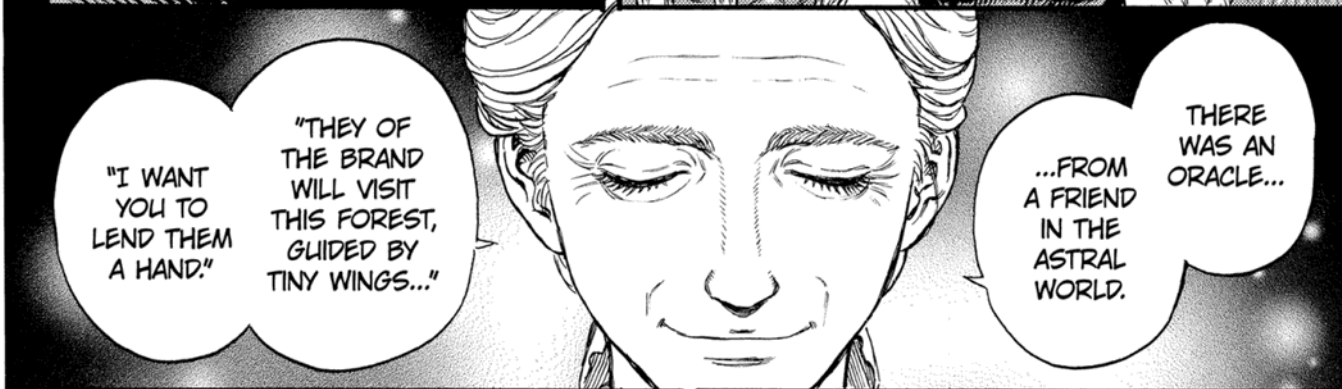


HOW DO
YOU KNOW
ABOUT THE
BRAND?



YOU SAID YOU
WERE WAITIN' FOR
US. WHAT'S THAT
SUPPOSED TO
MEAN?

OLD LADY,
BACK TO
WHAT WE
WERE TALKIN'
ABOUT...



"I WANT
YOU TO
LEND THEM
A HAND."

"THEY OF
THE BRAND
WILL VISIT
THIS FOREST,
GUIDED BY
TINY WINGS..."

...FROM
A FRIEND
IN THE
ASTRAL
WORLD.

THERE
WAS AN
ORACLE...



WHO
THE HELL
SAID--?

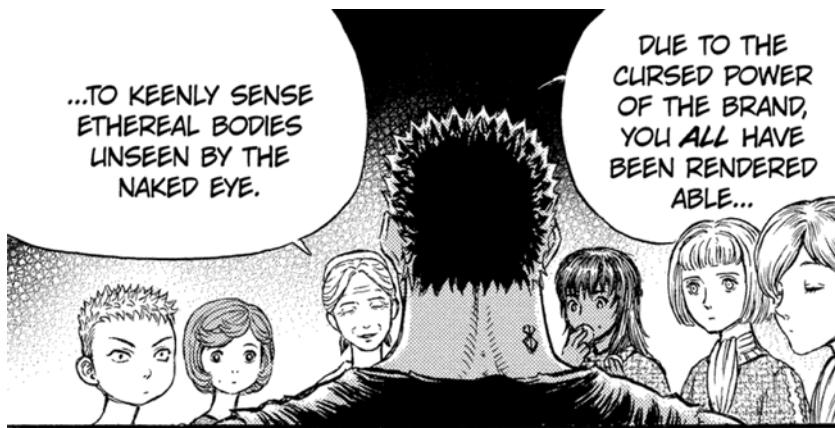
"LEND A
HAND"...



...SO
IT'S RE-
VERSED.

THOUGH
I'M
THE ONE
BEING
HELPED
NOW...

ORACLE
...?



...TO KEENLY SENSE
ETHEREAL BODIES
UNSEEN BY THE
NAKED EYE.

DUE TO THE
CURSED POWER
OF THE BRAND,
YOU **ALL** HAVE
BEEN RENDERED
ABLE...



TO PUT
IT SIMPLY,
THE
**AFTER-
LIFE.**

HEY!
WHAT'S
THAT
ASTRAL
WORLD
THING?



...IN WHICH
OUR WORLD IS
OVERLAPPED
BY THE
EXISTENCE OF
TWO OTHER
WORLDS.

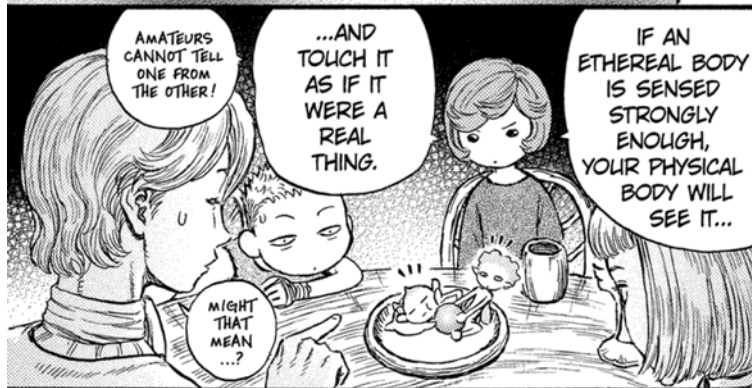
THERE
IS A
TRINITY
...

ARE
ETHEREAL
BODIES
GHOSTS
?



THE OTHER IS
THE SOUL OF
THE ORIGIN OF
ALL EXISTENCE,
THE WORLD OF
THE IDEA.

ONE IS KNOWN
COMMONLY
AS THE WORLD
OF SPIRITS,
THE **ASTRAL**
WORLD.



AMATEURS
CANNOT TELL
ONE FROM
THE OTHER!

...AND
TOUCH IT
AS IF IT
WERE A
REAL
THING.

MIGHT
THAT
MEAN
...?

IF AN
ETHEREAL BODY
IS SENSED
STRONGLY
ENOUGH,
YOUR PHYSICAL
BODY WILL
SEE IT...



THAT'S A LITTLE COMPLICATED,
BUT IT COMES DOWN TO
GHOSTS, RIGHT? AIN'T THEY
A LITTLE TOO LIVELY? THEY'RE
ALL STICKY LIKE SNOT.
MAKES ME SICK.

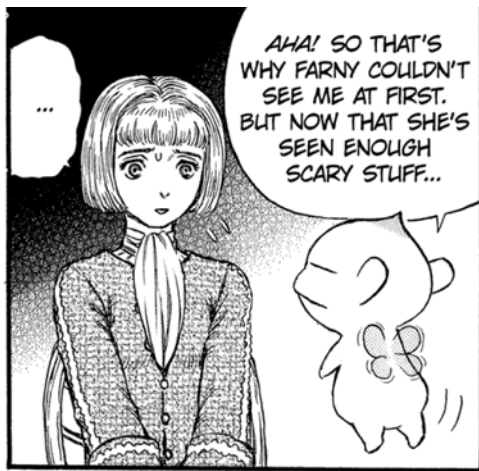
THOSE ARE
THE ETHEREAL
BODIES THAT
YOUR ETHEREAL
BODY'S
PERCEIVING.

HOW
VULGAR!



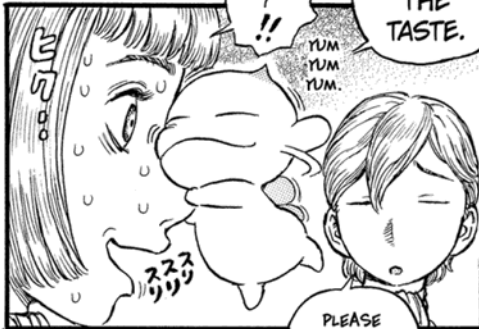
MANY PEOPLE
OVER THE AGES
HAVE RECOGNIZED
THIS FACT AS REALITY,
AND BECAUSE THEIR
WORLD VIEW CONTINUES
TO BE PASSED DOWN,
WE ARE ABLE TO
PERCEIVE, SEE,
AND TOUCH THESE
LITTLE ONES.

ELVES AND
TROLLS ARE
INHABITANTS
OF THAT
SAME **ASTRAL**
WORLD.



AHA! SO THAT'S WHY FARNY COULDN'T SEE ME AT FIRST. BUT NOW THAT SHE'S SEEN ENOUGH SCARY STUFF...

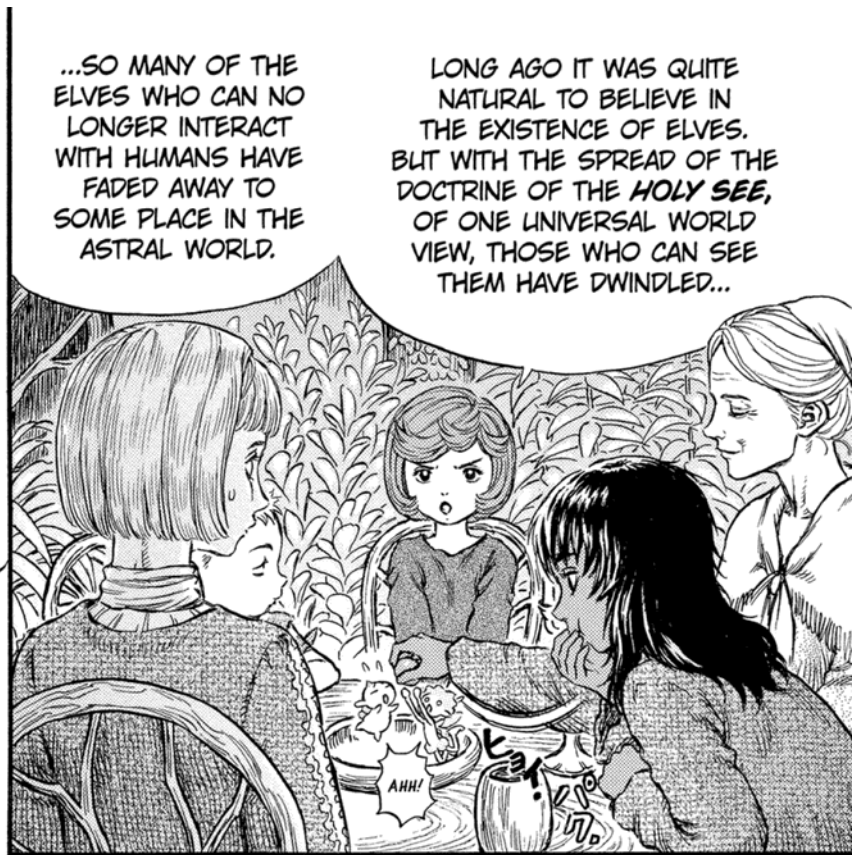
*FX: TWITCH



SAVOR THE TASTE.

PLEASE DO NOT TEASE HER.

*FX: RUB RUB RUB



...SO MANY OF THE ELVES WHO CAN NO LONGER INTERACT WITH HUMANS HAVE FADED AWAY TO SOME PLACE IN THE ASTRAL WORLD.

LONG AGO IT WAS QUITE NATURAL TO BELIEVE IN THE EXISTENCE OF ELVES. BUT WITH THE SPREAD OF THE DOCTRINE OF THE HOLY SEE, OF ONE UNIVERSAL WORLD VIEW, THOSE WHO CAN SEE THEM HAVE DWINDLED...

*FX: YOINK CHOMP



WHAT ARE YOU, DUMB ?!

PIXIES ARE BORN EXAGGERATORS. I'M A DIFFERENT STORY THOUGH!

I THINK!

NO PROB, NO PROB.

PLENTY A' PEOPLE'VE LIVED THERE.

YOU'RE SURE WE'LL BE OKAY IN YOUR HOMELAND...? DON'T TELL ME IT'S THE AFTERLIFE...

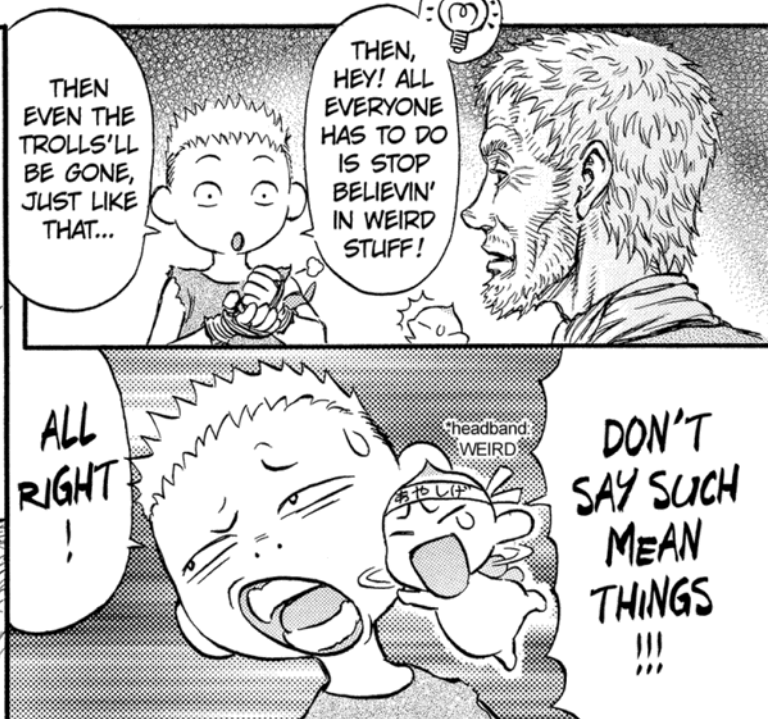


THERE IS A THING CALLED THE SUBCONSCIOUS THAT HUMANS CANNOT THEMSELVES CONTROL ...

FINE, NEVER MIND.

THINGS ARE NOT THAT SIMPLE.

*banner: COGITO, ERGO SUM.



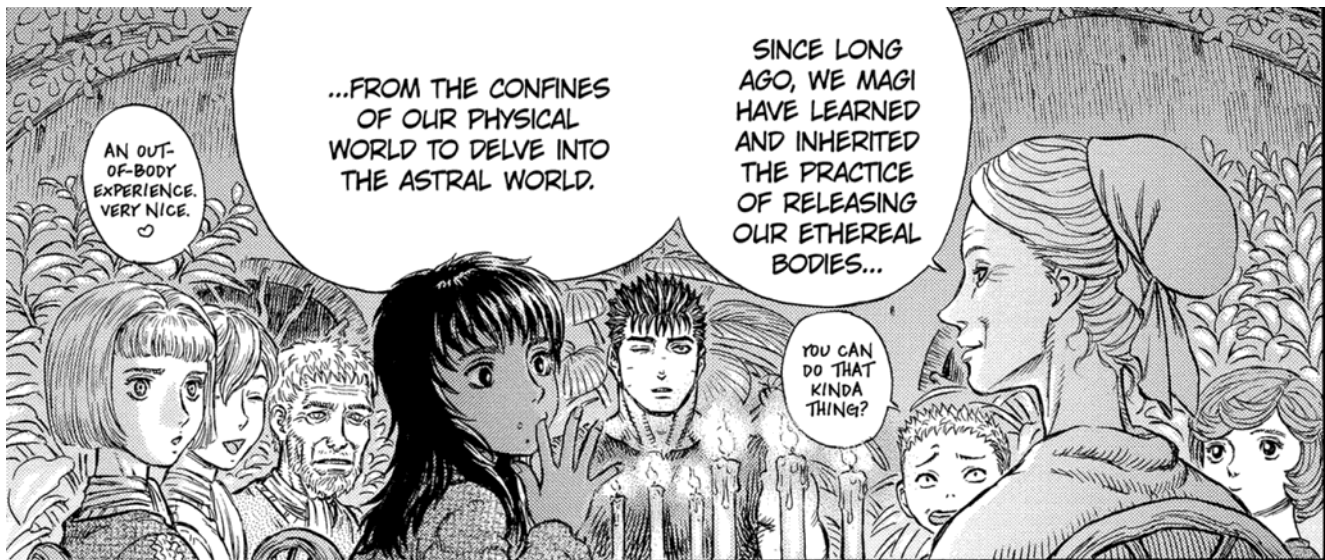
THEN EVEN THE TROLLS'LL BE GONE, JUST LIKE THAT...

THEN, HEY! ALL EVERYONE HAS TO DO IS STOP BELIEVIN' IN WEIRD STUFF!

ALL RIGHT !

*headband: WEIRD

DON'T SAY SUCH MEAN THINGS !!!

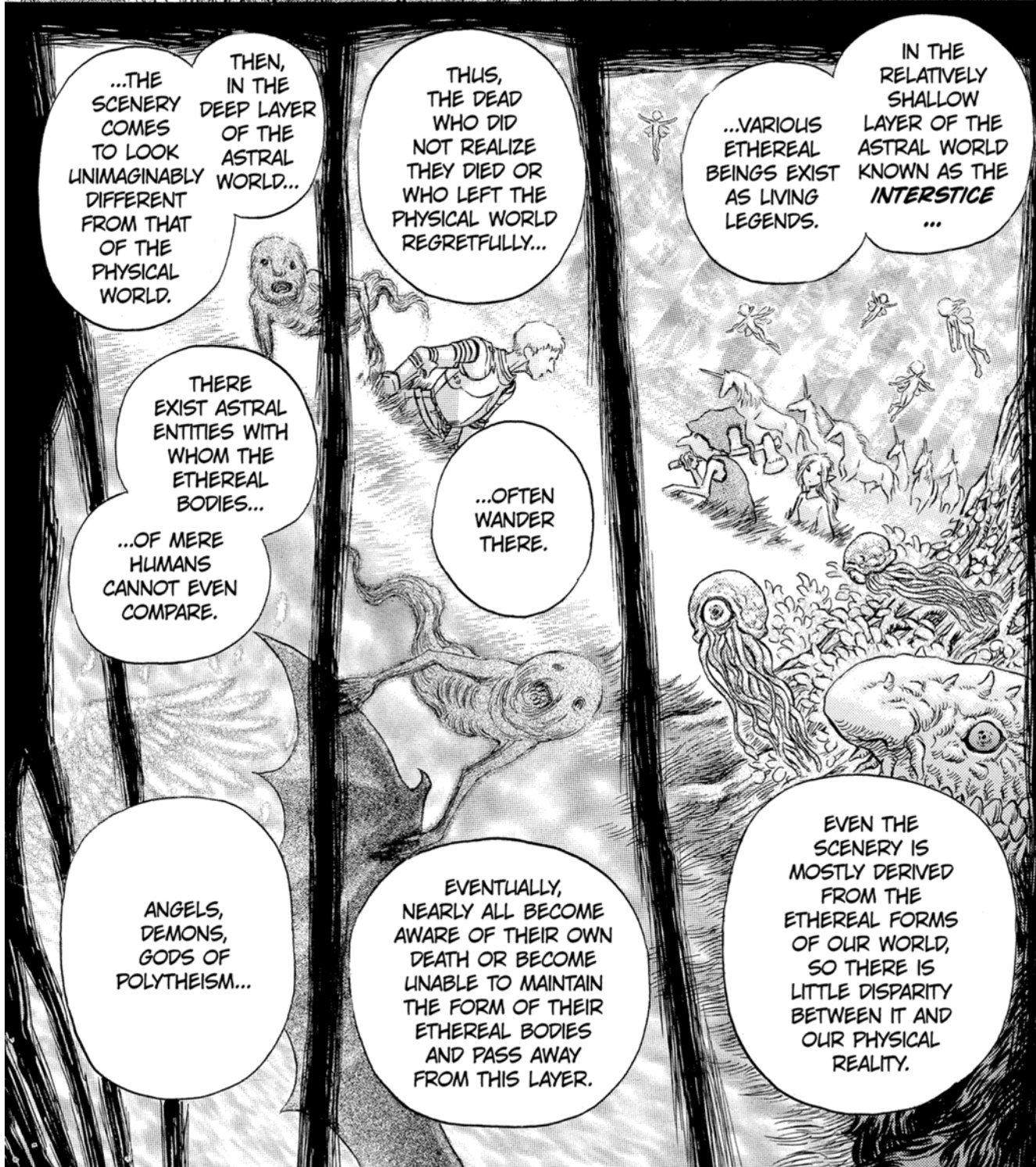


AN OUT-OF-BODY EXPERIENCE. VERY NICE. ♡

...FROM THE CONFINES OF OUR PHYSICAL WORLD TO DELVE INTO THE ASTRAL WORLD.

SINCE LONG AGO, WE MAGI HAVE LEARNED AND INHERITED THE PRACTICE OF RELEASING OUR ETHEREAL BODIES...

YOU CAN DO THAT KINDA THING?



...THE SCENERY COMES TO LOOK UNIMAGINABLY DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

THEN, IN THE DEEP LAYER OF THE ASTRAL WORLD...

THUS, THE DEAD WHO DID NOT REALIZE THEY DIED OR WHO LEFT THE PHYSICAL WORLD REGRETFULLY...

...VARIOUS ETHEREAL BEINGS EXIST AS LIVING LEGENDS.

IN THE RELATIVELY SHALLOW LAYER OF THE ASTRAL WORLD KNOWN AS THE **INTERSTICE** ...

THERE EXIST ASTRAL ENTITIES WITH WHOM THE ETHEREAL BODIES...

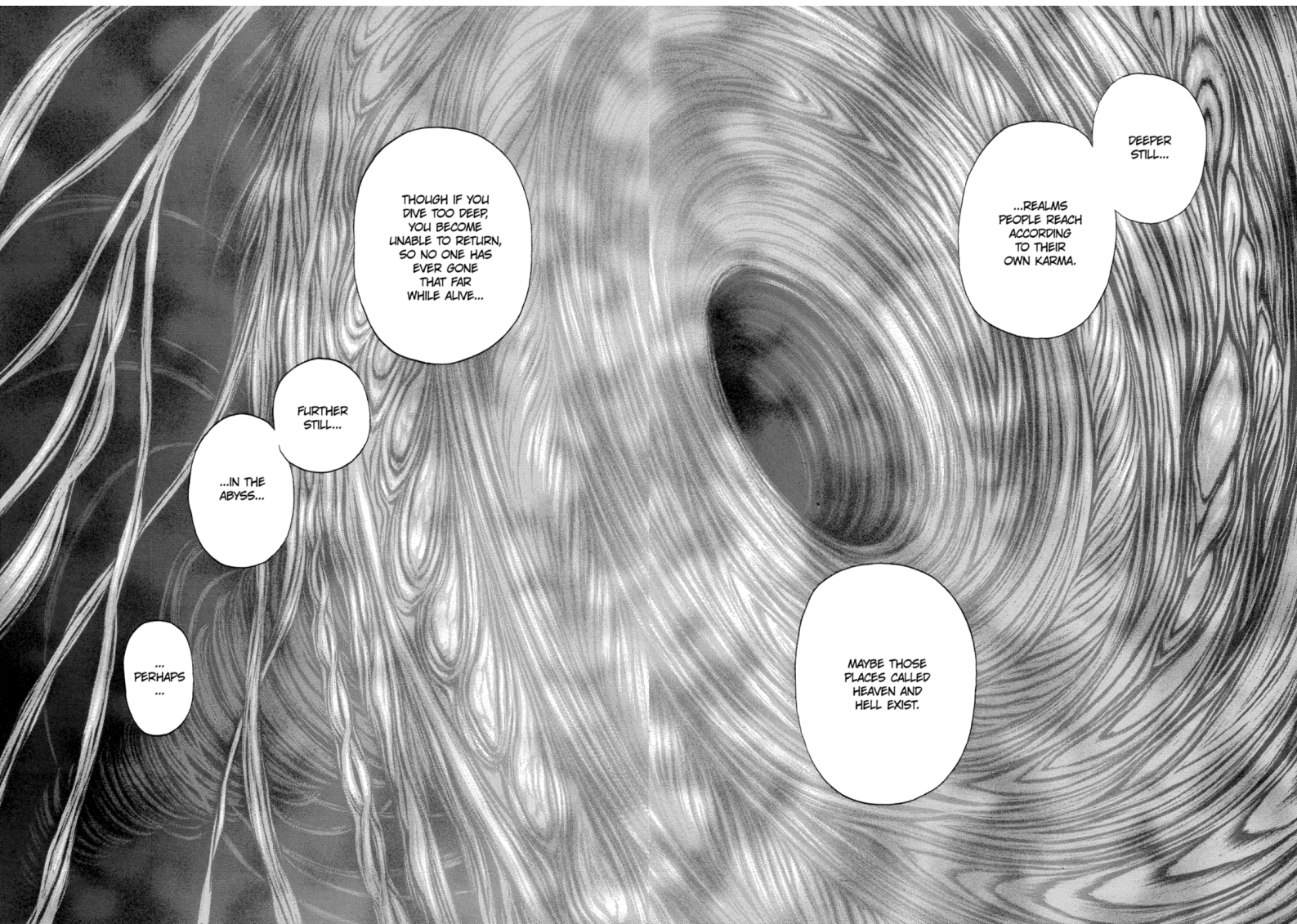
...OF MERE HUMANS CANNOT EVEN COMPARE.

...OFTEN WANDER THERE.

ANGELS, DEMONS, GODS OF POLYTHEISM...

EVENTUALLY, NEARLY ALL BECOME AWARE OF THEIR OWN DEATH OR BECOME UNABLE TO MAINTAIN THE FORM OF THEIR ETHEREAL BODIES AND PASS AWAY FROM THIS LAYER.

EVEN THE SCENERY IS MOSTLY DERIVED FROM THE ETHEREAL FORMS OF OUR WORLD, SO THERE IS LITTLE DISPARITY BETWEEN IT AND OUR PHYSICAL REALITY.



THOUGH IF YOU
DIVE TOO DEEP,
YOU BECOME
UNABLE TO RETURN,
SO NO ONE HAS
EVER GONE
THAT FAR
WHILE ALIVE...

DEEPER
STILL...

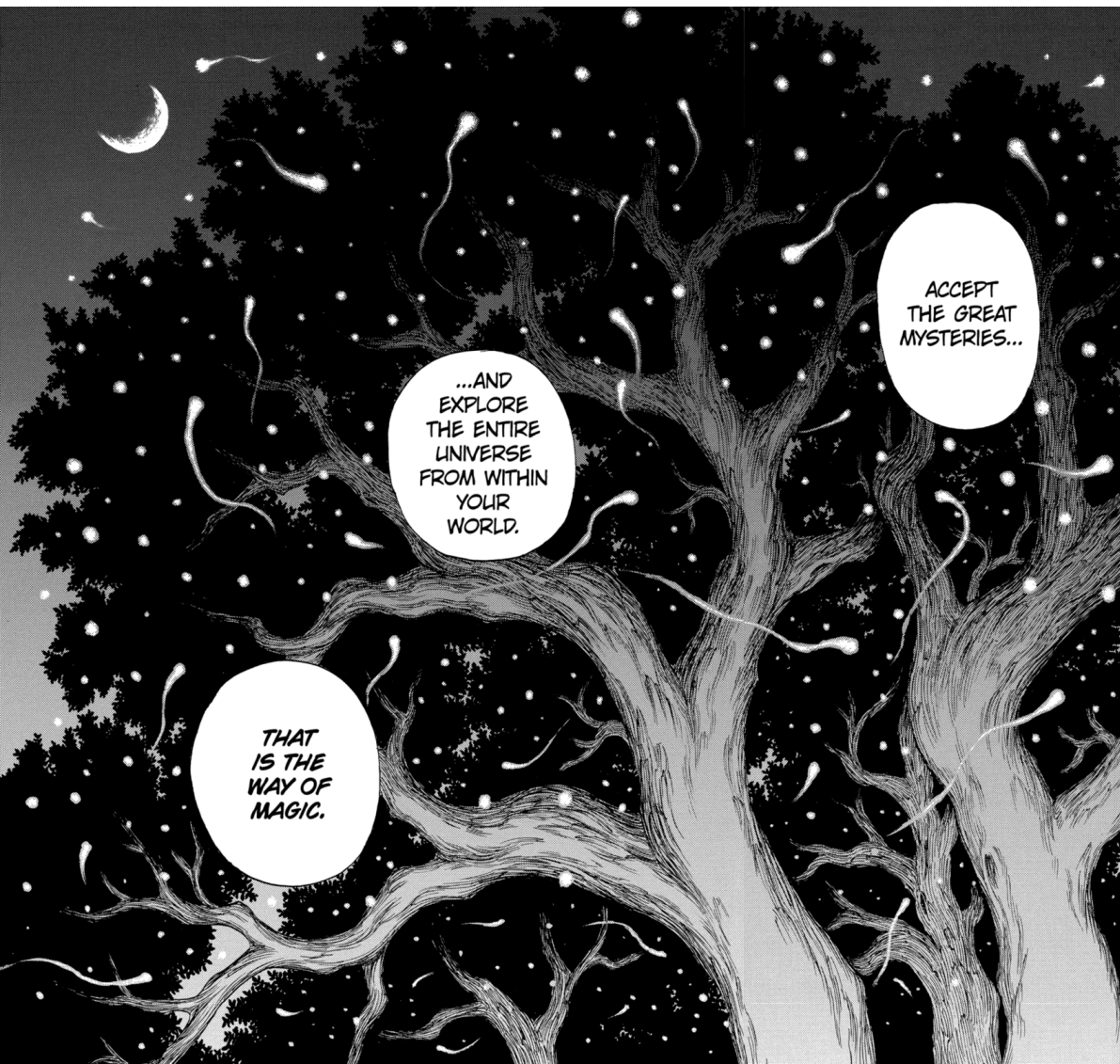
...REALMS
PEOPLE REACH
ACCORDING
TO THEIR
OWN KARMA.

FURTHER
STILL...

...IN THE
ABYSS...

...
PERHAPS
...

MAYBE THOSE
PLACES CALLED
HEAVEN AND
HELL EXIST.



THAT
IS THE
WAY OF
MAGIC.

...AND
EXPLORE
THE ENTIRE
UNIVERSE
FROM WITHIN
YOUR
WORLD.

ACCEPT
THE GREAT
MYSTERIES...



.....



THERE EXIST
PROFOUND
DEPTHS
WITHIN ITSELF.

THE WORLD
DOESN'T
EXTEND IN
MERELY TWO
DIMENSIONS.



...BE
SUMMARIZED
BY MATERIALISM
OR ANY SINGLE
DOCTRINE.

THIS
WORLD
COULD
NEVER...

**FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC
THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER**

MAGIC STONE

魔 石

BERSERK





YOU
WISH TO
SHOW ME
SOME-
THING?

WHAT
MIGHT
THAT
BE?

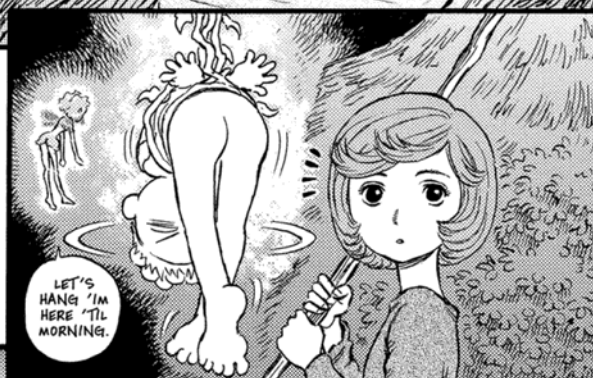
*BOK
BOK

ボク
ボク

EIGH!
EIGH!

えい
えい



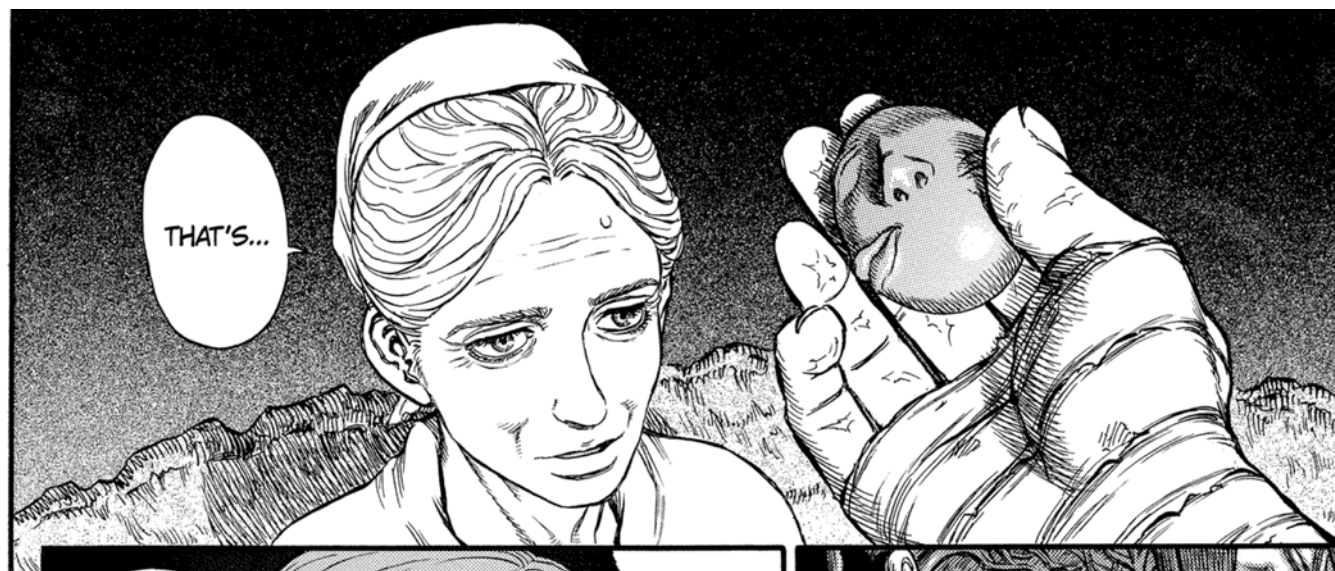


LET'S
HANG 'IM
HERE 'TIL
MORNING.

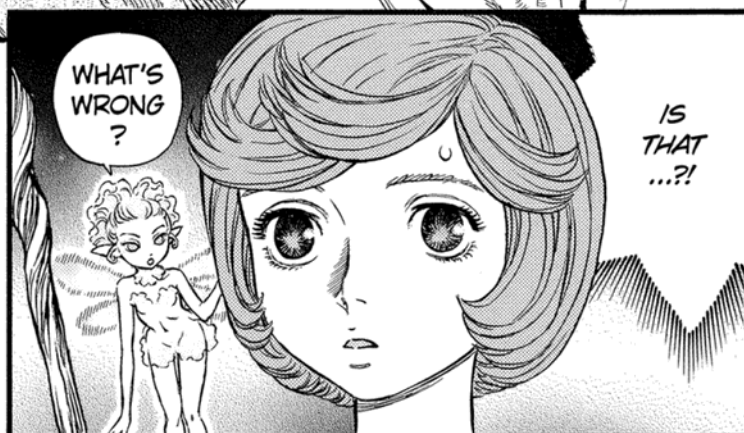


...KNOW
WHAT
THIS IS?

DO
YOU...



THAT'S...



WHAT'S
WRONG
?

IS
THAT
...?!



!



ALL WHO
ASPIRE
TOWARD
MASTERING
THE WAY OF
MAGIC
DO.

YES...

I
KNOW
IT.



I GOT IT
FROM A
CERTAIN
MAN.

WHERE
THE
BLAZES
DID YOU--

DOES THIS
BELONG
TO YOU
?



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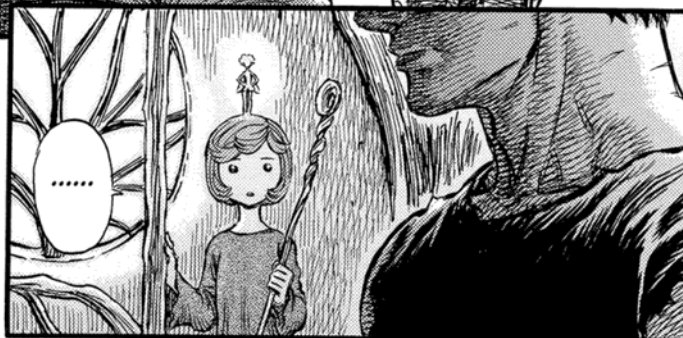
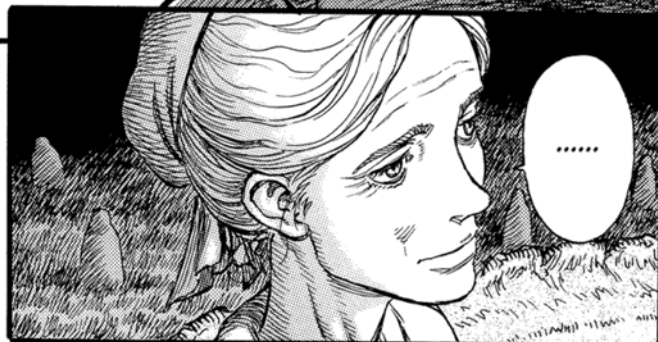
I
SEE.

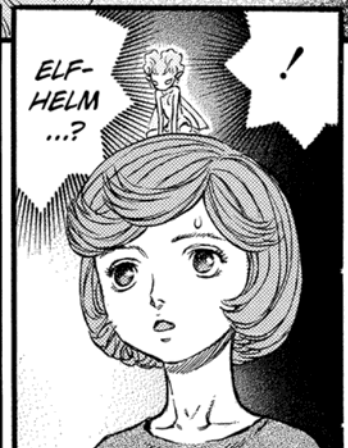
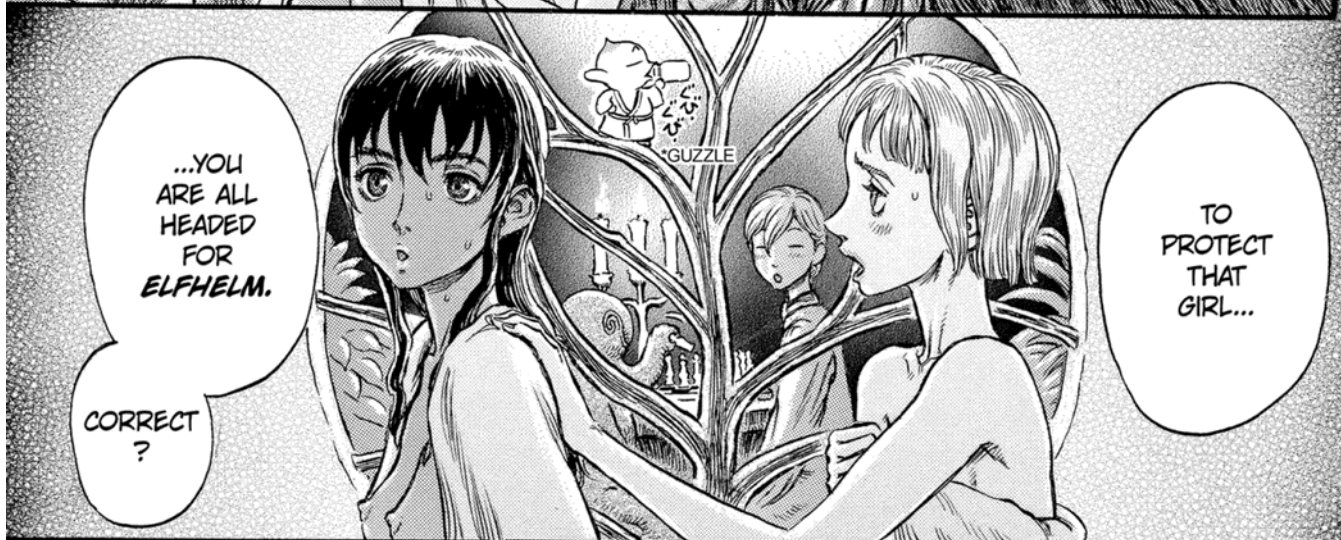
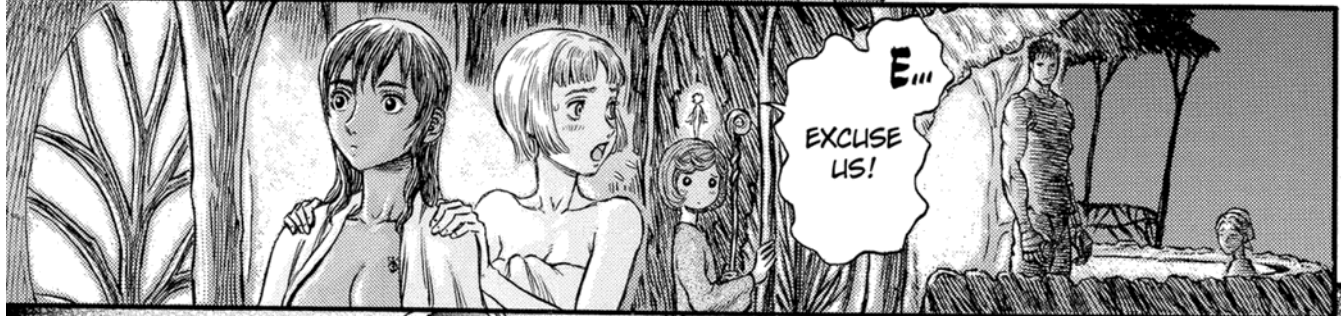


A KEY
THAT LINKS
A DEEP
LAYER OF
THE ASTRAL
WORLD
TO THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD.

A
BEHELIT.









...THAT HAS
KEPT YOU
ON YOUR
FEET UNTIL
THIS DAY.

IT MUST
BE THAT
MALICE...

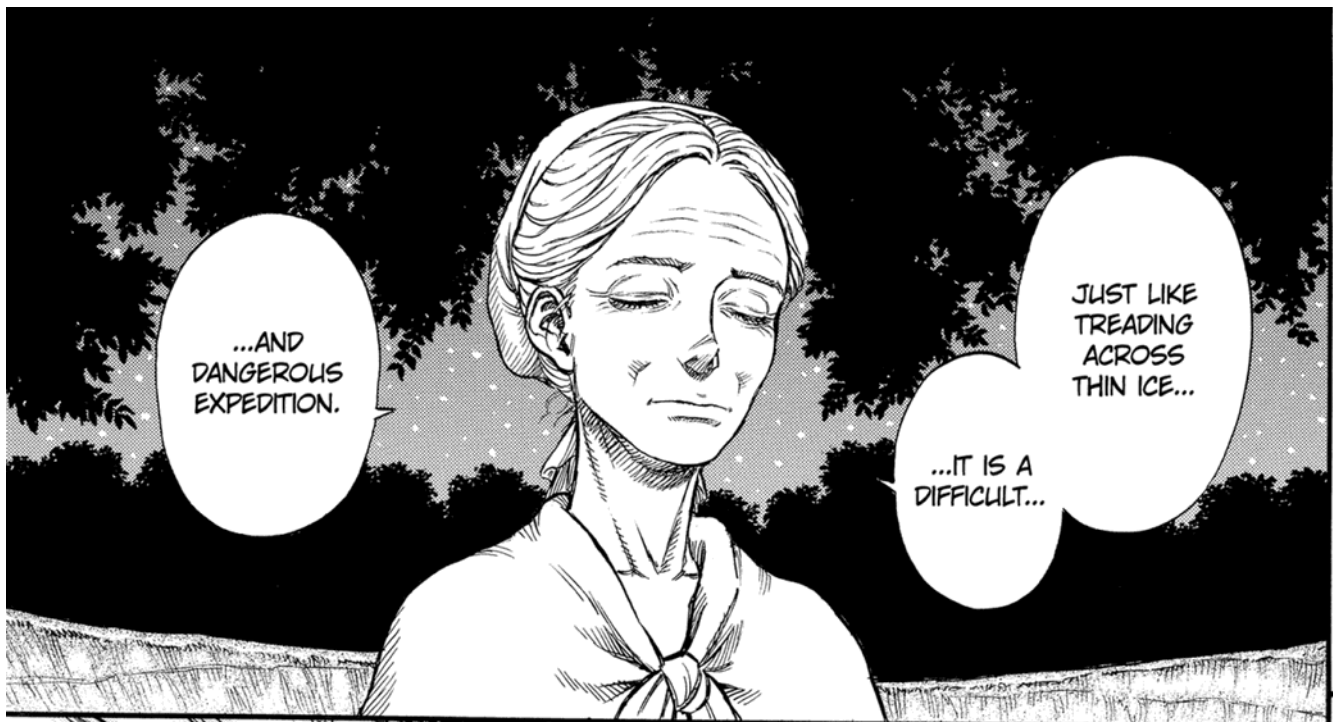
AND SO
IT BECOMES
SHACKLES...

...IS STRIVING
TO INCINERATE
EVEN THOSE
YOU CONSIDER
IRREPLACEABLE.

YOUR LIFE
CANNOT
BE WITHOUT
HATRED...

...BUT THAT
HELLFIRE...

...WHICH
MAKE YOUR
SWORD
HEAVY AND
BLUNT.



...AND
DANGEROUS
EXPEDITION.

JUST LIKE
TREADING
ACROSS
THIN ICE...

...IT IS A
DIFFICULT...



...I CAN'T
MEET YOUR
EXPECTA-
TIONS.

UNFORTU-
NATELY...



...THAT
CAN BE
USED
IF ONLY
YOU FIND
THE
MEANS,
BUT IT
IS NOT.

YOU
THINK
THIS IS
SOME-
THING
...



NOT
THAT.

YOU
MEAN YOU
DON'T
FEEL LIKE
TELLIN'
ME?

THE OBJECT
ITSELF IS AS
NOTHING MORE
THAN A STONE,
BUT THE FATE
ASSOCIATED
WITH IT RESTS
IN THE HANDS
OF ITS MASTER
WHO SENT IT.

A BEHELIT IS
A HIGHLY SPIRITUAL
OBJECT THAT
GOVERNS EVEN
HUMAN FATE...
PERHAPS AN
**EVEN GREATER
EXISTENCE**
SENT IT TO THE
PHYSICAL WORLD.

THAT'S
THE WAY
IT IS.

WHEN THE
TIME IS RIGHT,
IT WILL BE IN
THE HANDS OF
THE PERSON
TO WHOM IT
BELONGS.

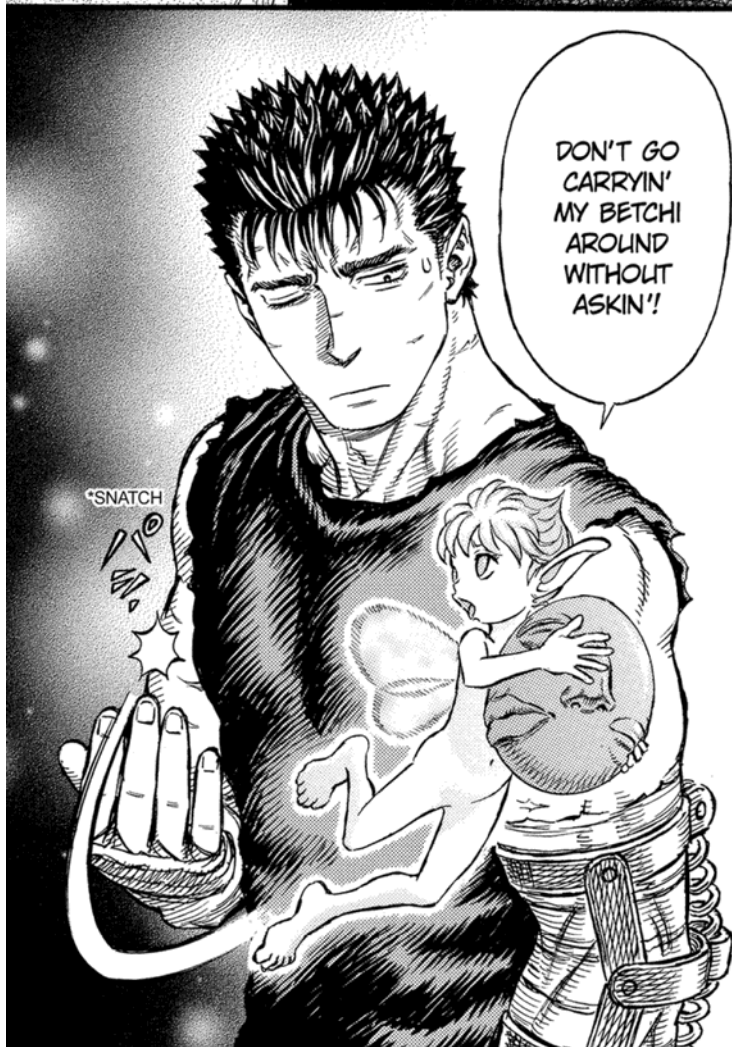
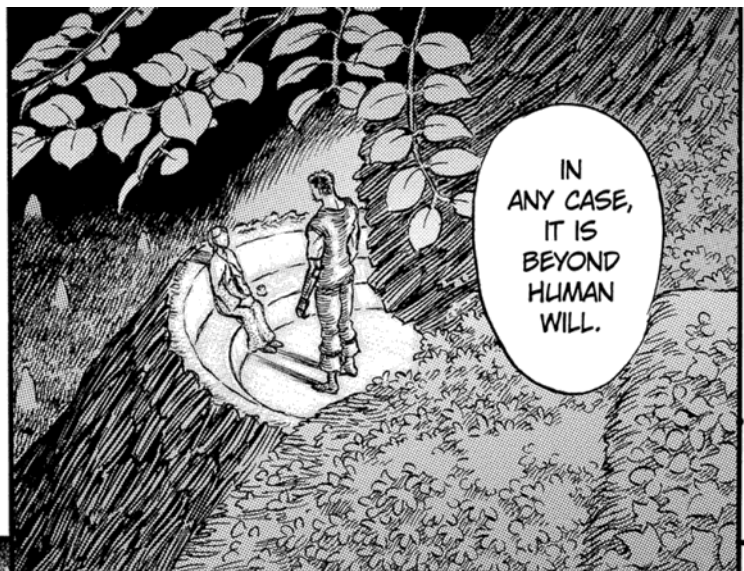
...THAT THE
OWNER
CRAVES
THEIR
POWER.

AND IT IS
CERTAIN...

...TO BE
AT THE
VERY
MOMENT
...

IF IT IS NOT
YOURS THEN,
IN SPITE OF
YOUR WILL,
IT SHALL AT
SOME POINT
LEAVE YOUR
HAND.

IF THIS
BEHELIT INDEED
BELONGS
TO **YOU**, EVEN IF
YOU WERE TO
DISCARD IT,
WHEN THE
TIME COMES,
IT SHALL
FIND YOU.





...AND THAT AS REINCARNATIONS...

...THEY ARE THE EXECUTORS OF THE WILL OF SOMETHING LURKING IN THE DISTANT ABYSS OF THE ASTRAL WORLD.

PERHAPS IN THAT DOMAIN, IT IS UNATTAINABLE...

...FOR ONE TO ARRIVE AS A PERSON, CLAD IN THE ETHEREAL BODY CALLED EGO.



I MEAN, I'M THE ONE TAKIN' CARE OF HIM.

RIGHT.

IT'S YOURS?



ONE MORE THING.

I BETCHA DON'T KNOW BETSU'S FAVORITE FOOD. IT'S CREPES.

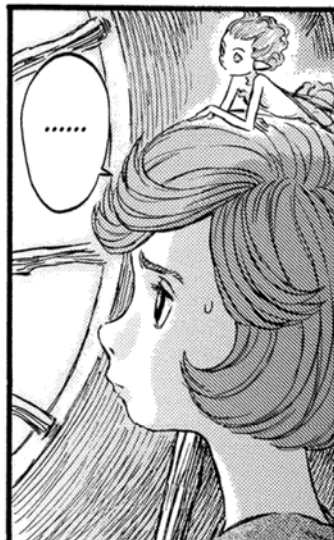
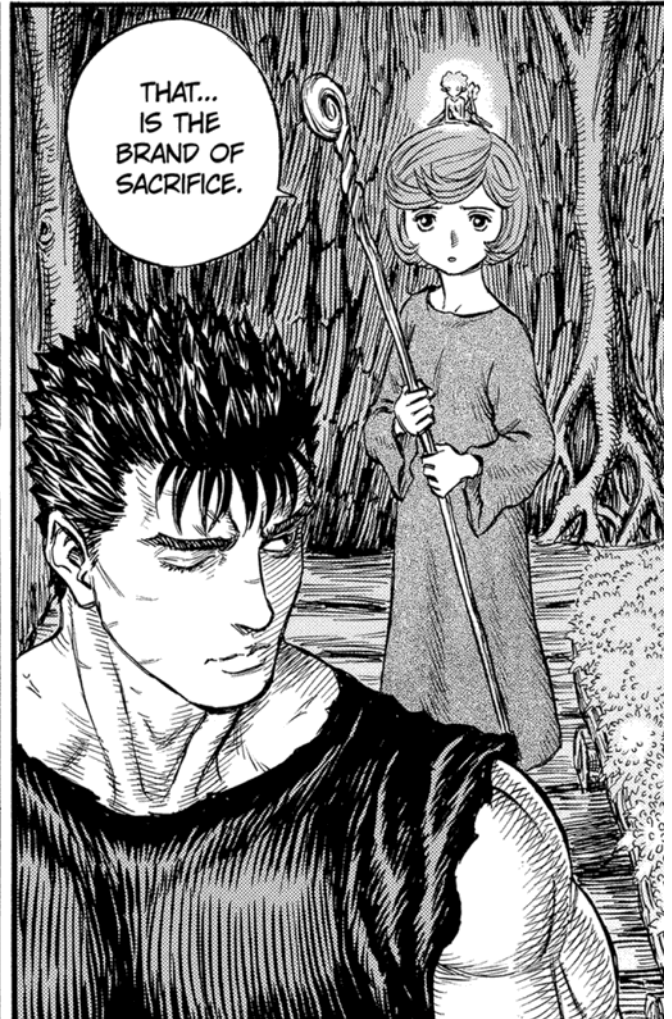
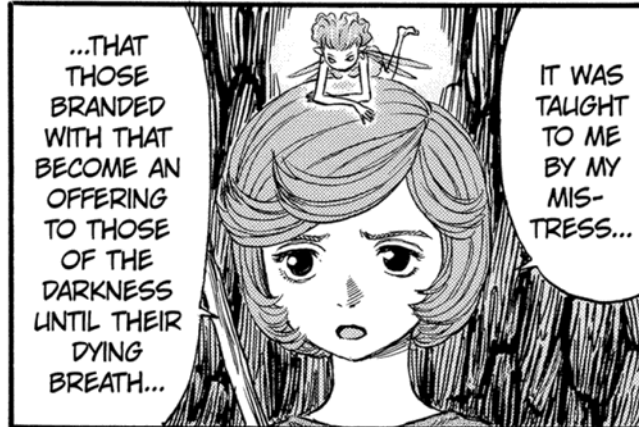
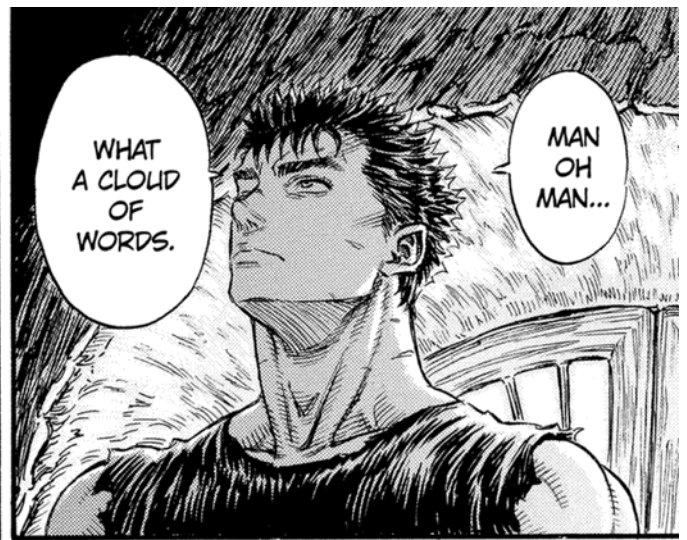
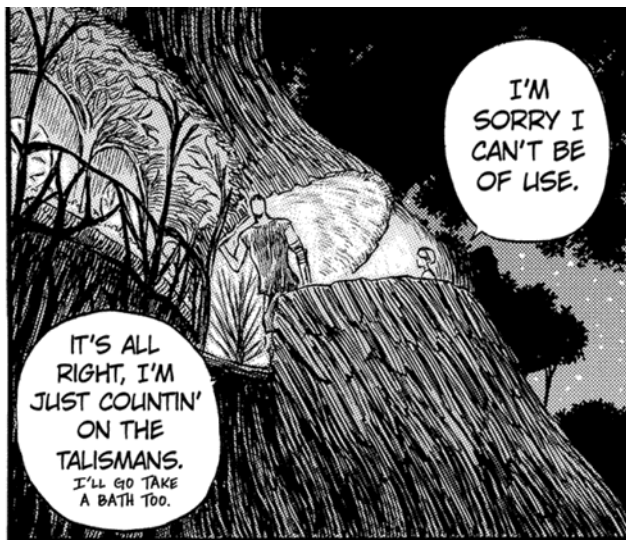


THAT IS ONE OF THE GREAT MYSTERIES FOR THOSE OF US WHO EXPLORE THE ASTRAL WORLD.

THE GODHAND.

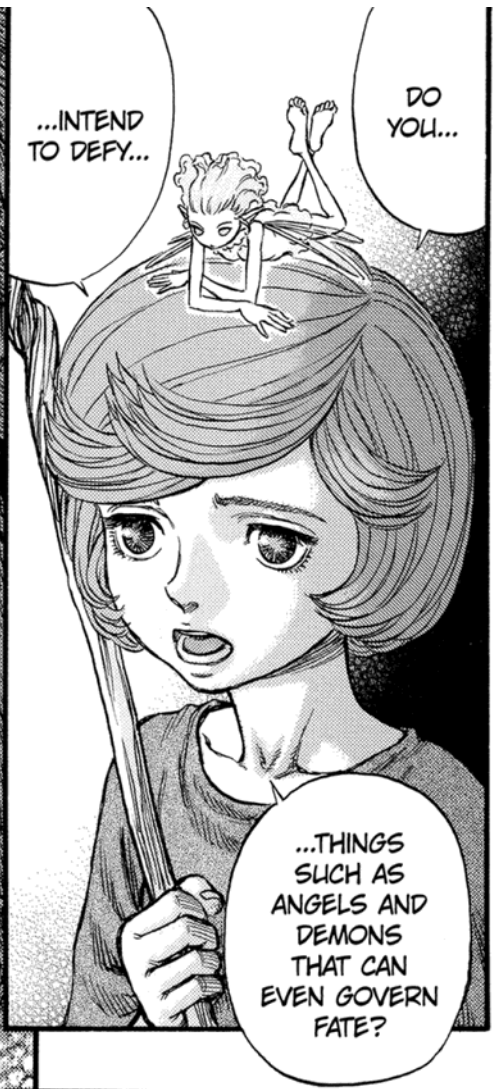
WHAT I DO KNOW IS THAT THEY WERE ONCE HUMAN...

WHAT THE HELL ARE THEY?





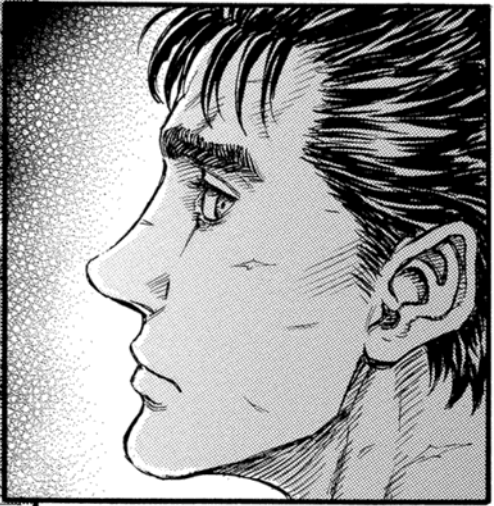
ONE DAY...
...I'LL HAVE TO HIT 'EM WHERE IT HURTS.



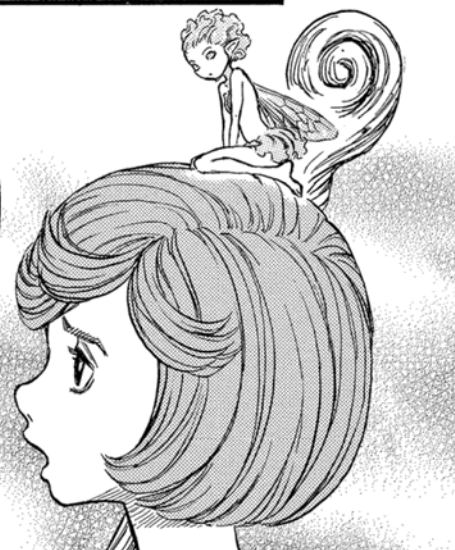
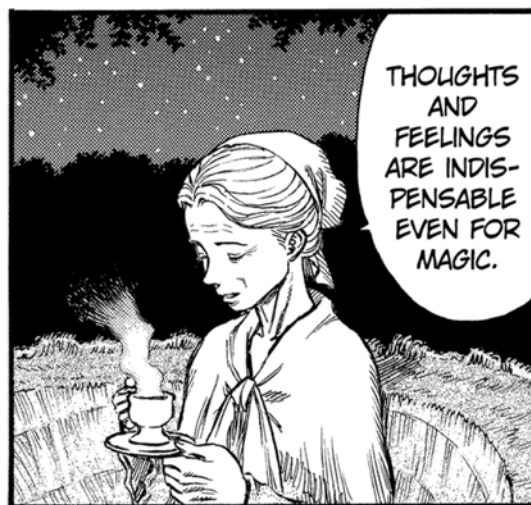
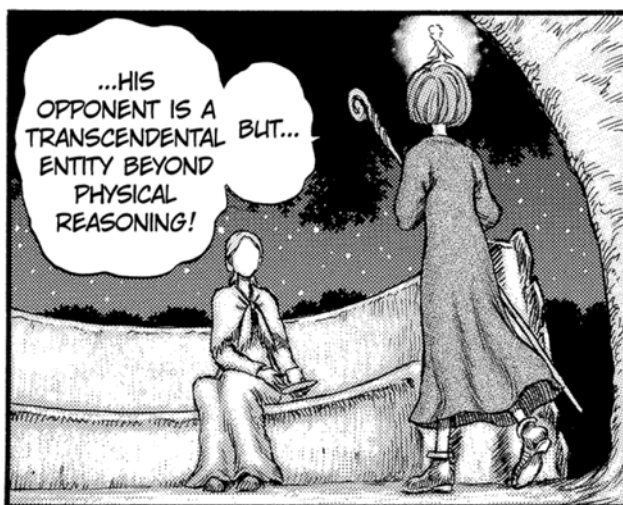
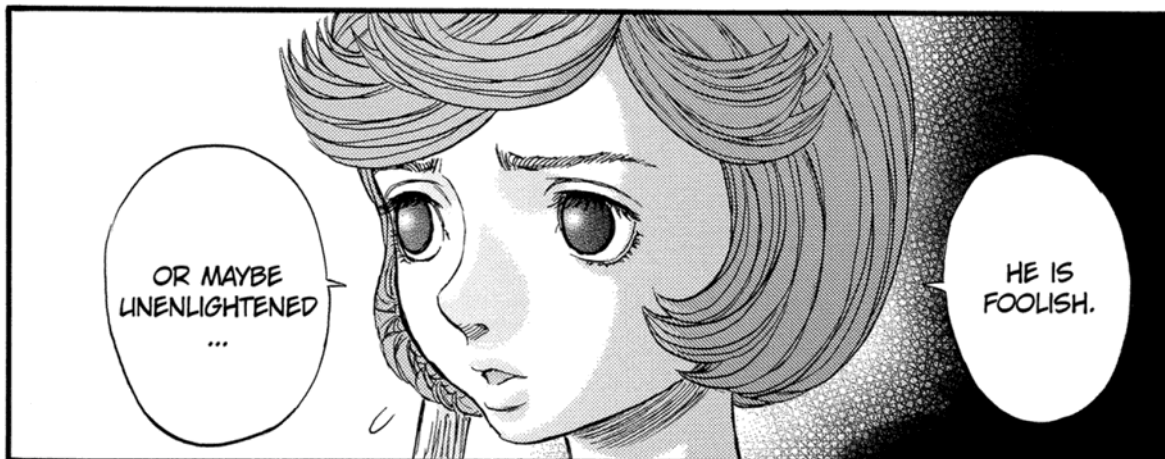
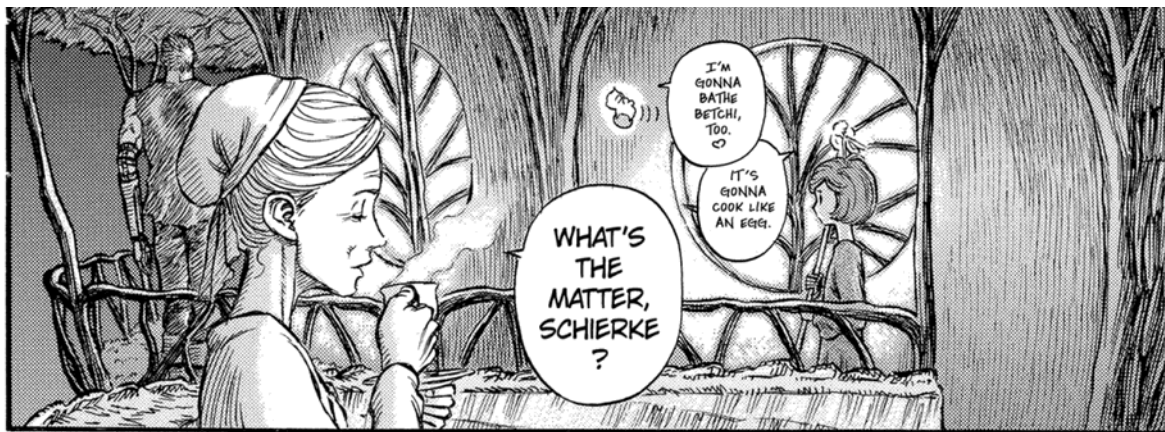
...INTEND TO DEFY...

DO YOU...

...THINGS SUCH AS ANGELS AND DEMONS THAT CAN EVEN GOVERN FATE?



YOU GOT IT.



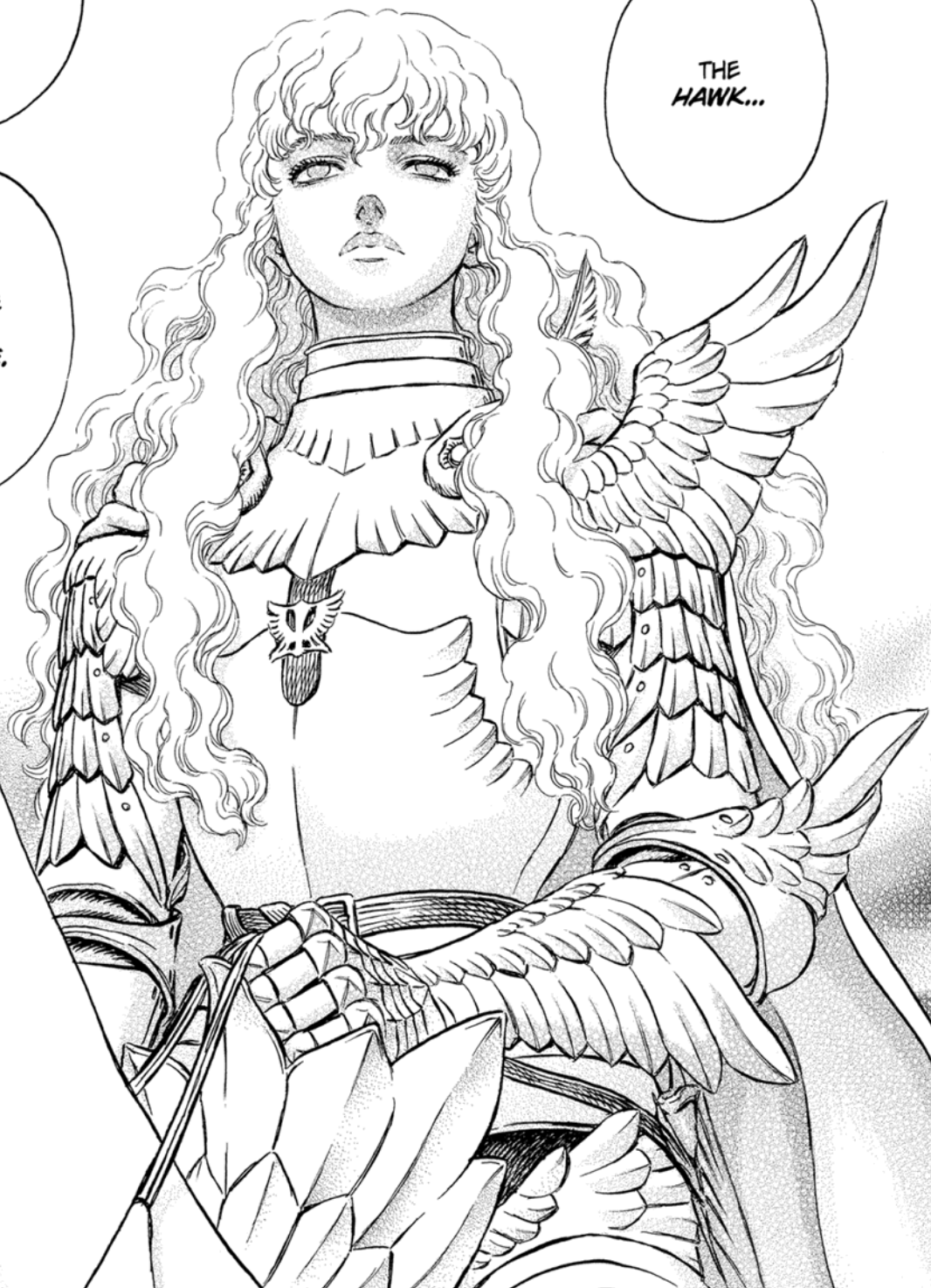
HE APPEARS
TO BE HUMAN,
BUT SPIRITUALLY
HE CANNOT
BE CALLED
THAT.

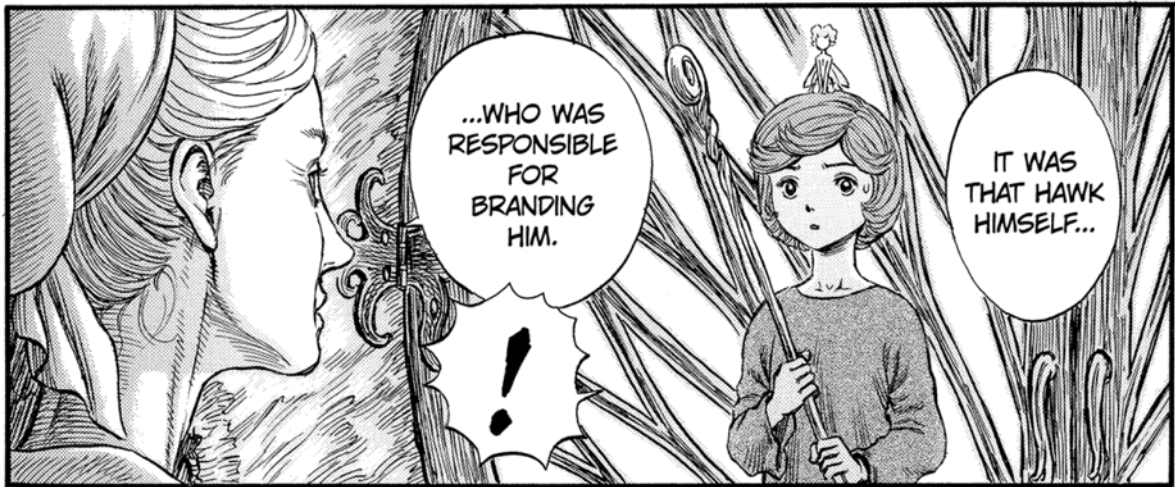
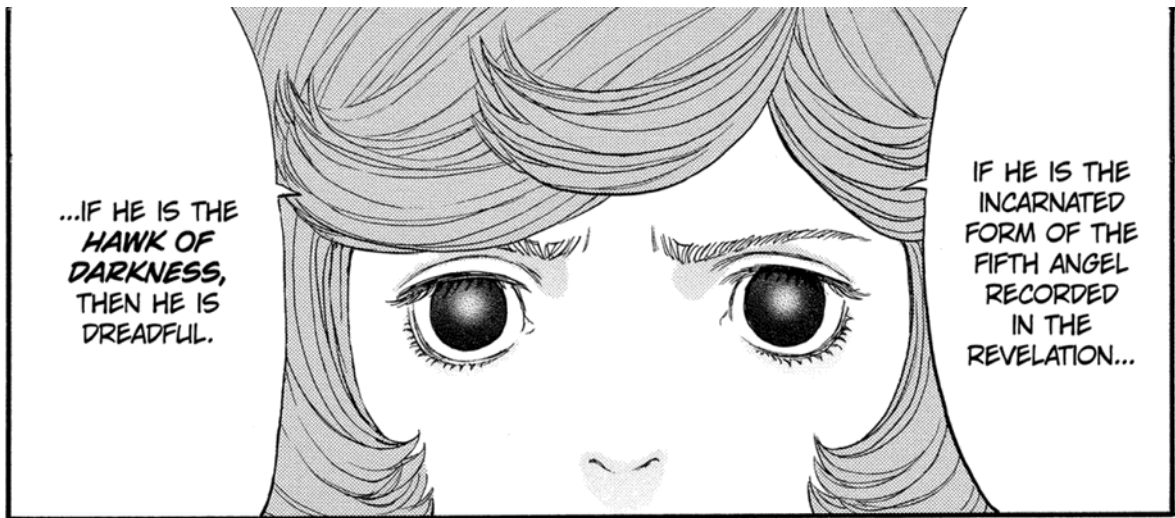
AN
EXISTENCE
THAT NO
ONE IN THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD
CAN RIVAL
ALONE.

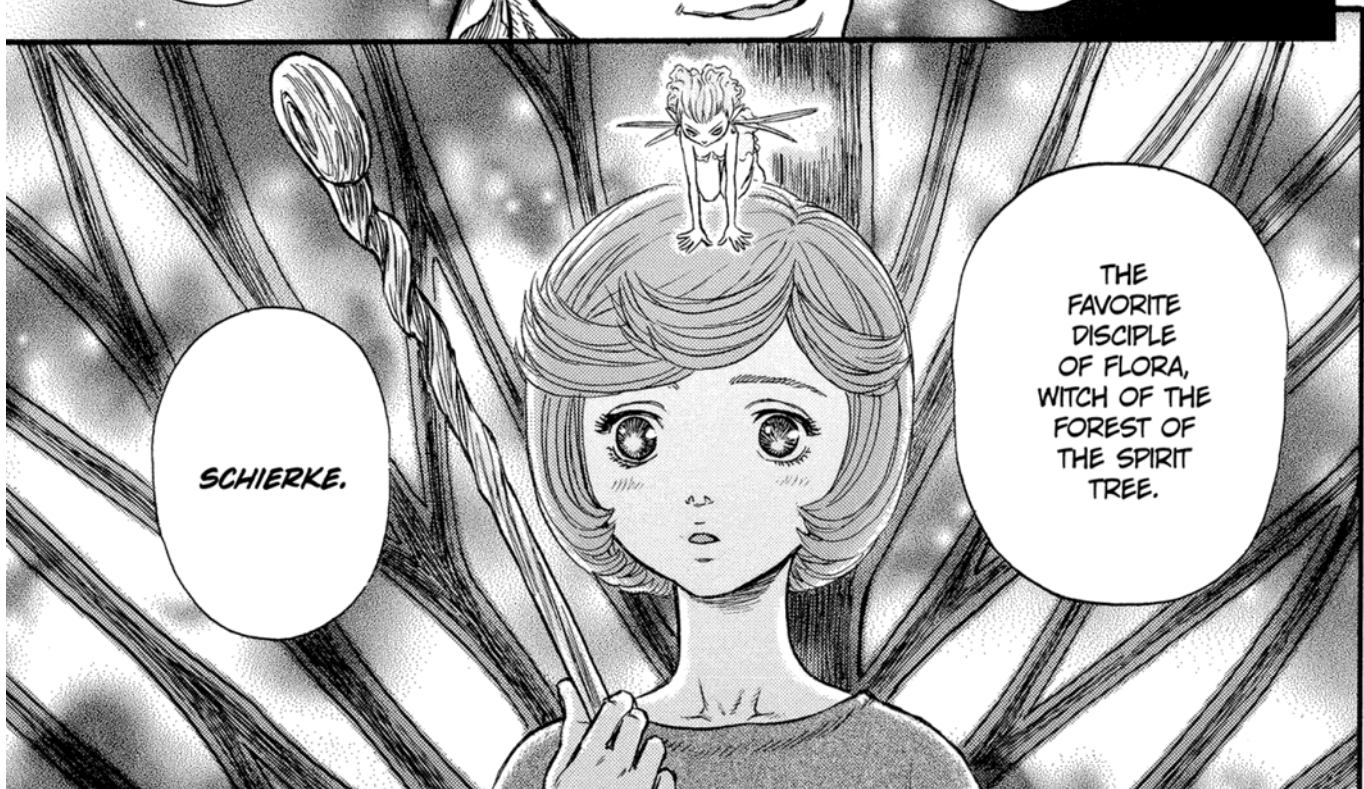
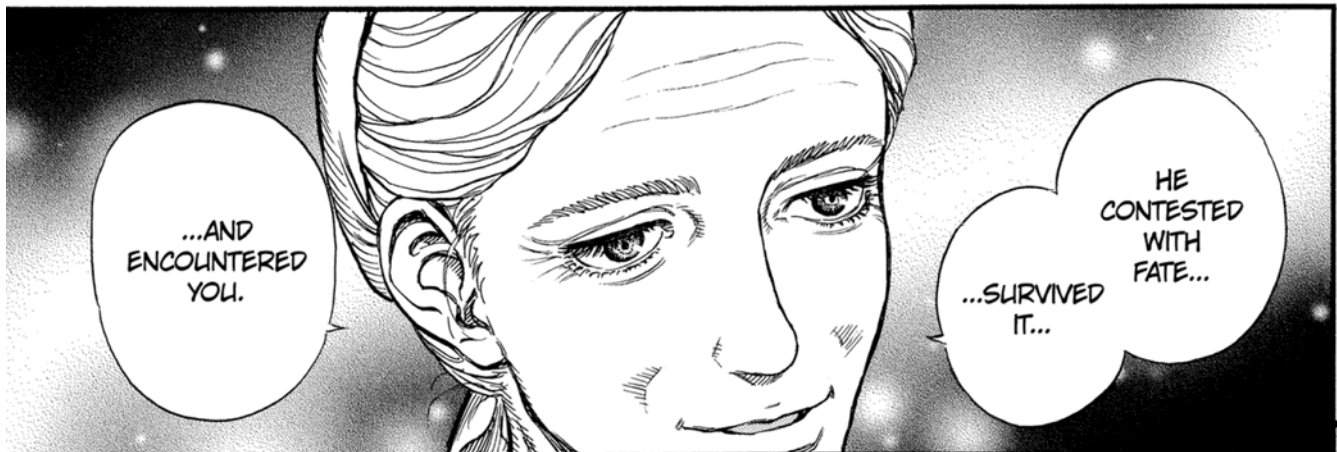
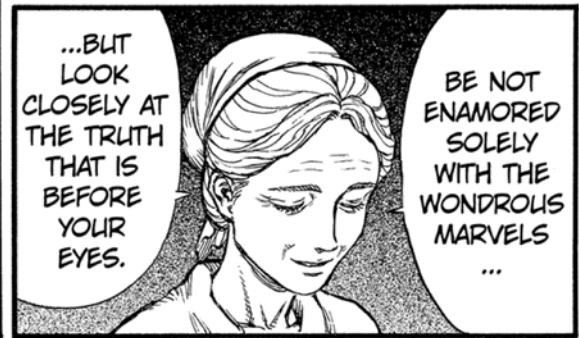
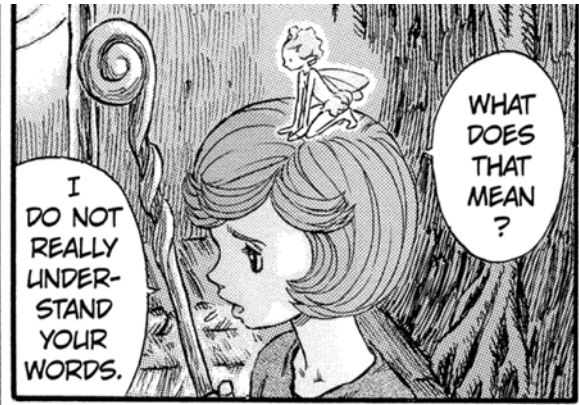
AN ENORMOUS
FLOW OF OD THAT
ENGULFS AND
CHARMS PEOPLE.
A FORTUNE SO
STRONG THAT NO
BLADE OF THE
PHYSICAL WORLD
CAN TOUCH HIM.

THE
HAWK...

SURELY HE
IS THE
ABSOLUTE.









GOD
BESTOWS
UPON US
FATE.

BUT IT
IS THE
CHILDREN
OF MEN
WHO
CHOOSE
IT.

THIS IS MY
BELIEF.



IT
IS *YOU*
WHO WILL
DECIDE
THAT.

YOU
WISH
FOR ME
TO *AID*
HIM?!



GO AND
WITNESS
WITH YOUR
OWN
EYES...

...THE
SIGNIFICANT
NATURE THIS
ENCOUNTER
WILL BEAR
FOR YOU.

FALCON OF THE MILLENNIUM EMPIRE ARC THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER ELEMENTALS

THAT...
DOES IT.

エレメンタル
元素霊

SEALED WITH
PURIFICATION
SALT.

AGH...!
WHAT
THE--?

*FX: RUB

ARE YOU
READY
OVER
THERE?

I LOOK
FORWARD
TO THAT.

...BUT THE BRAND
SHOULD NOT ATTRACT
EVIL SPIRITS FOR
TWO OR THREE
DAYS.

IT IS
COMPLETE.
NOT ON
THE SAME
LEVEL
OF MY
MISTRESS'
TALISMANS
...

WHAT
IS THIS?
OINTMENT
?

THIS
STUFF
TINGLES.

IT'S
NOT
EDIBLE!

NOW IS
A GOOD
TIME TO
EXPLAIN
THE THINGS
I WILL
GIVE TO
YOU.



BECAUSE
IT DULLS
THE FIVE
SENSES,
IT MAKES
IT EASIER
TO PERCEIVE
ETHEREAL
BODIES.



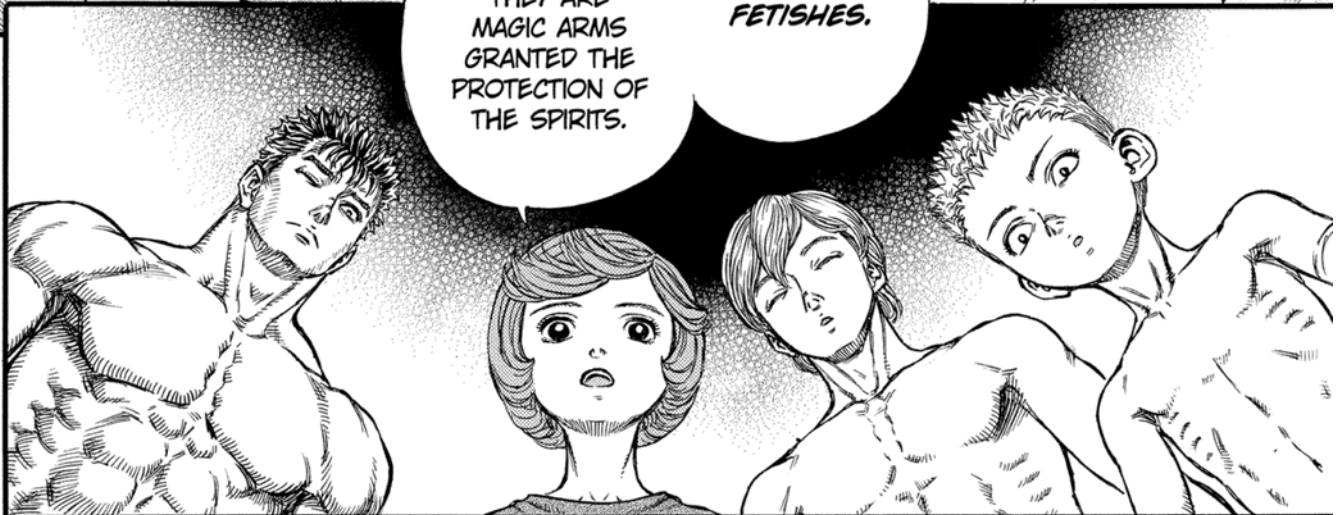
IT IS
CALLED FEMME
FATALE OINTMENT.
A KIND OF
NARCOTIC MIXED
FROM ALMOND
OIL, CELERY,
BELLADONNA,
WOLFSBANE,
AND THE LIKE.



THESE
ARE...?

MAGIC
FETISHES.

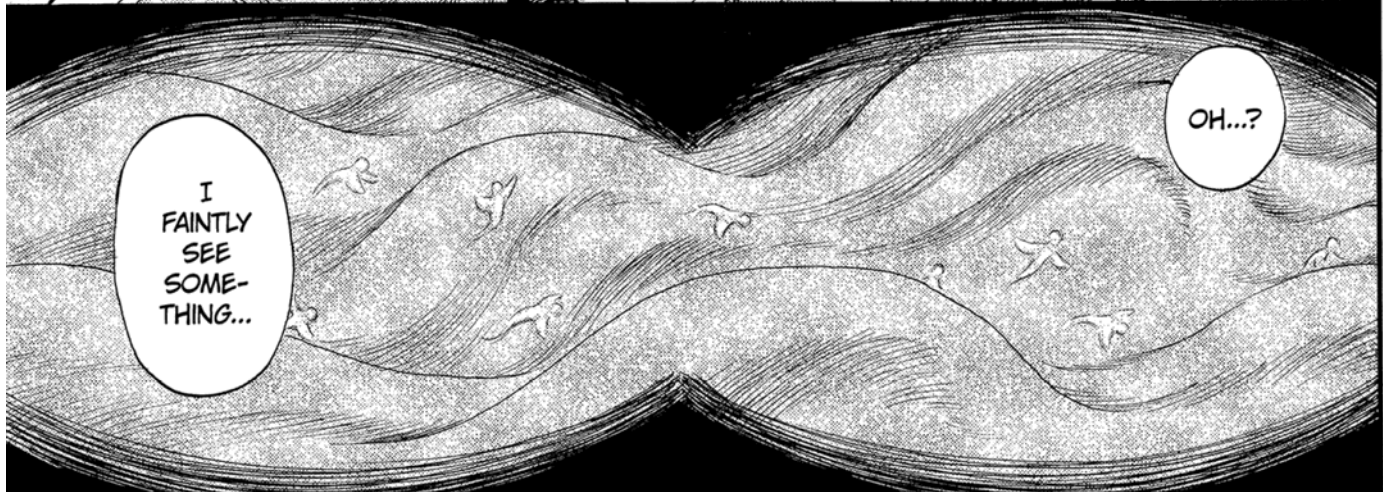
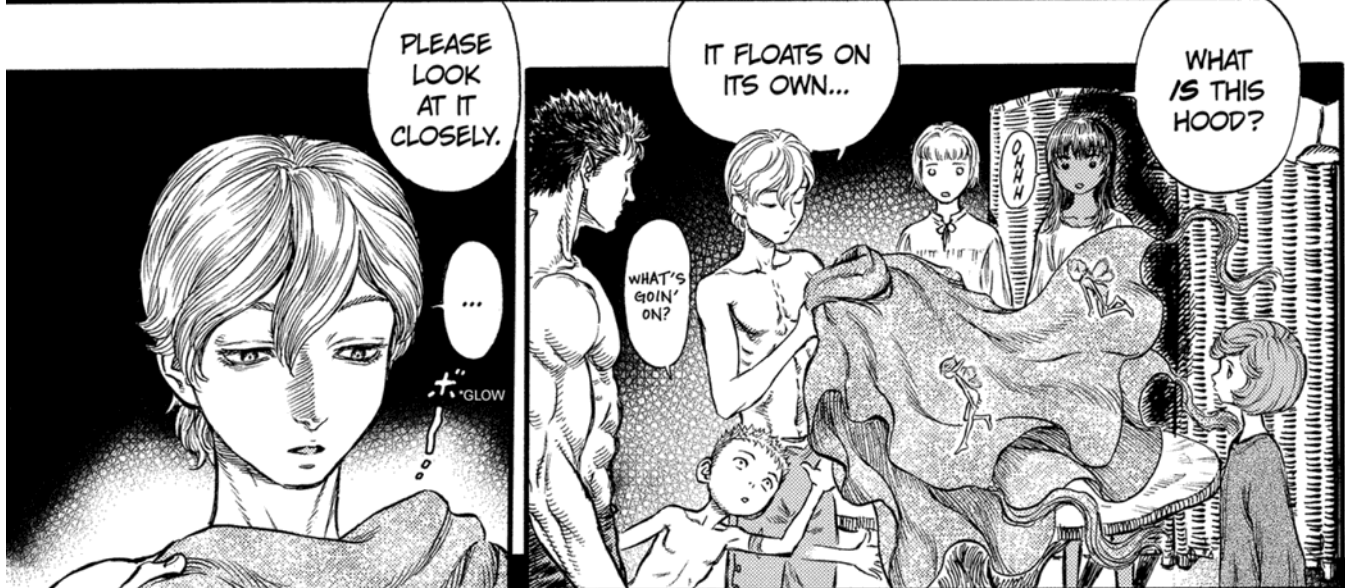
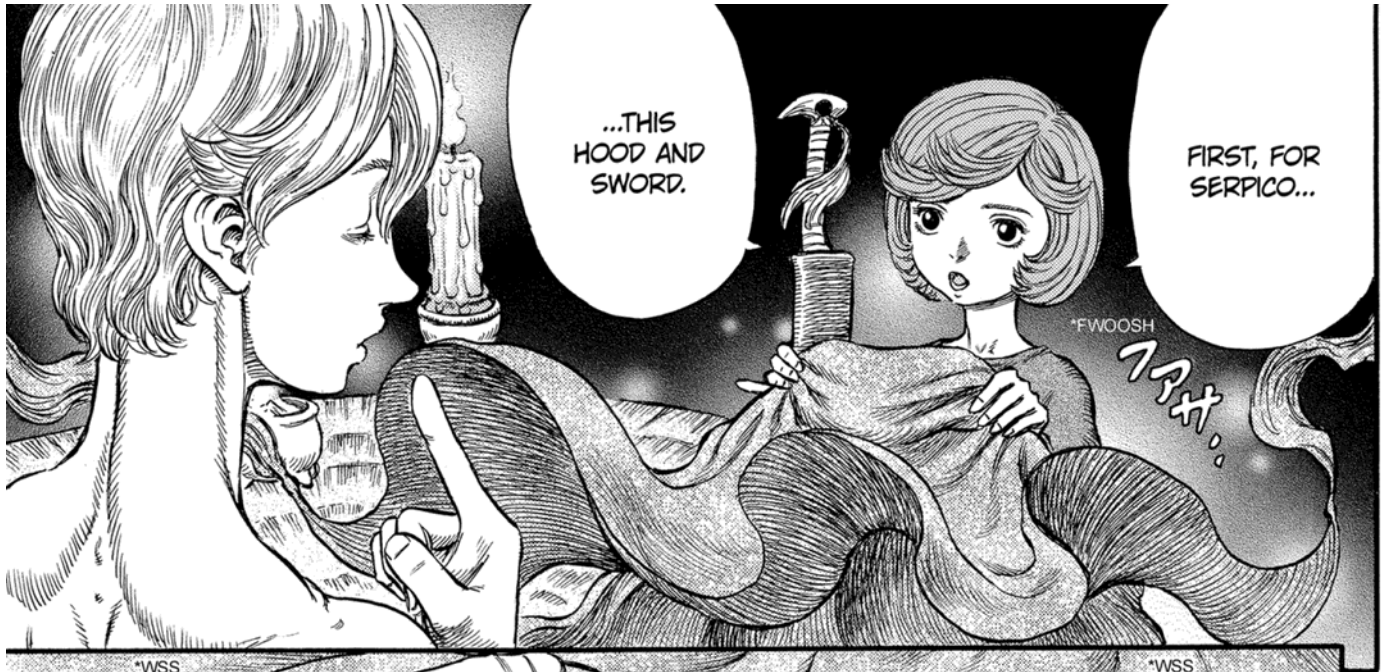
THEY ARE
MAGIC ARMS
GRANTED THE
PROTECTION OF
THE SPIRITS.

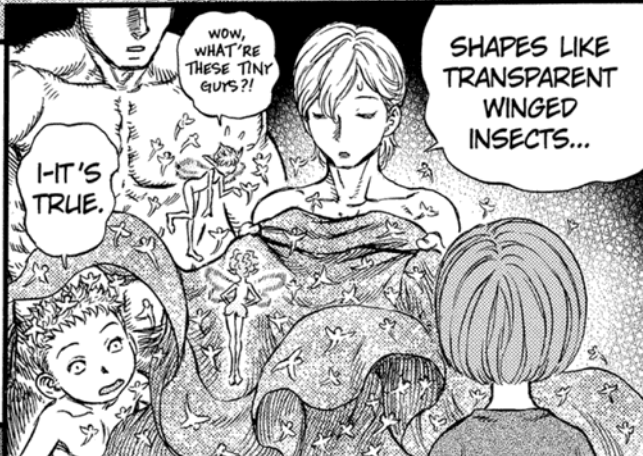


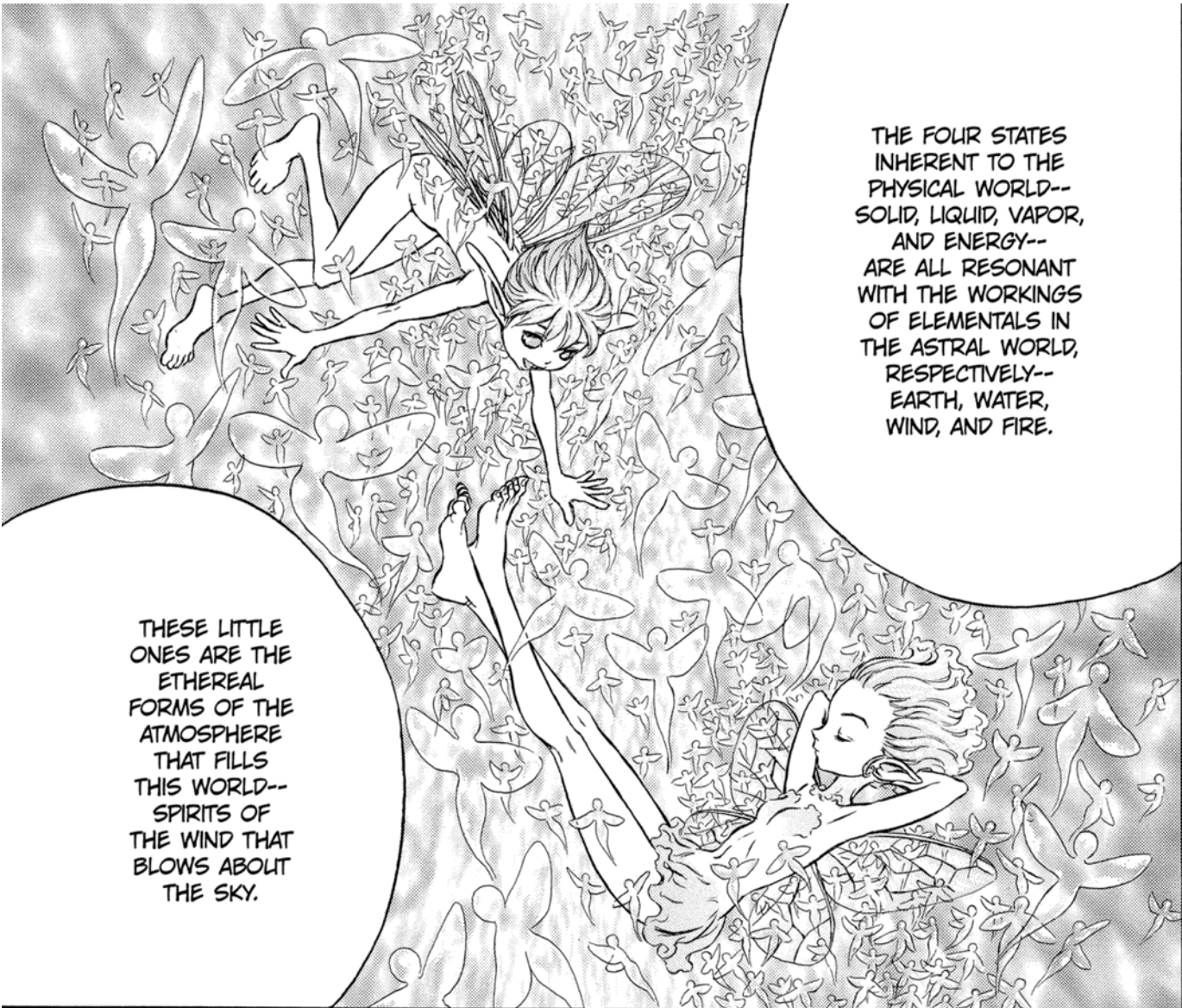
WITH THESE,
EVERYONE
SHOULD BE ABLE
TO CONFRONT
THE TROLLS,
EVEN WITHOUT
SPELLCASTING.



I BORROWED
THEM FROM MY
MISTRESS.







THE FOUR STATES
INHERENT TO THE
PHYSICAL WORLD--
SOLID, LIQUID, VAPOR,
AND ENERGY--
ARE ALL RESONANT
WITH THE WORKINGS
OF ELEMENTALS IN
THE ASTRAL WORLD,
RESPECTIVELY--
EARTH, WATER,
WIND, AND FIRE.

THESE LITTLE
ONES ARE THE
ETHEREAL
FORMS OF THE
ATMOSPHERE
THAT FILLS
THIS WORLD--
SPIRITS OF
THE WIND THAT
BLOWS ABOUT
THE SKY.

**YOU MEAN I'M A
WIND SPIRIT?!**

I CAN'T BELIEVE THE SHOCKIN' TRUTH!!
I'M NOT A CHESTNUT HEAD?!



WHAT'RE YOU
TALKIN' ABOUT?
THEY'RE OUR
ANCESTORS.



SO YOU
GUYS'RE
THE WIND
THAT ALWAYS
HELPS ME
OUT. I'M
PUCK.

HOW
'BOUT
THAT.



YOU'RE A PIXIE,
RIGHT? PIXIES'RE
A FAMILY OF THE
WIND SPIRITS,
AFTER ALL.
THERE'RE
ALL KINDS,
THOUGH.

HOWAH?

I'M
THE SAME
THING AS
HIM...

*WHONNG

ONE
SWING CAN
GENERATE A
WHIRLWIND...

ALSO
GRANTED
THE WIND'S
PROTECTION
IS THE
**SYLPH
SWORD.**

...THAT CAN
TEAR THE
ENEMY'S
FLESH
WITHOUT
EVEN
TOUCHING
IT.

THE
BLADE IS
MADE FROM
A WHITE-
SHOULDERED
EAGLE'S
FEATHER AND
THE HILT FROM
MISTLETOE
GROWING ON
THE HIGHEST
BRANCH IN
THE FOREST.

THIS...
IS A
SWORD?
OR A
FEATHER
DUSTER
...?

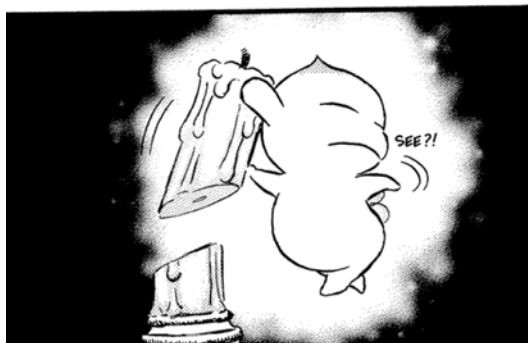
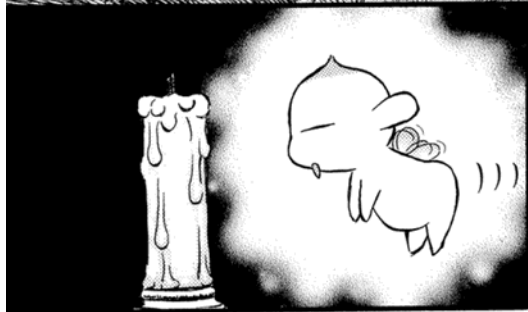
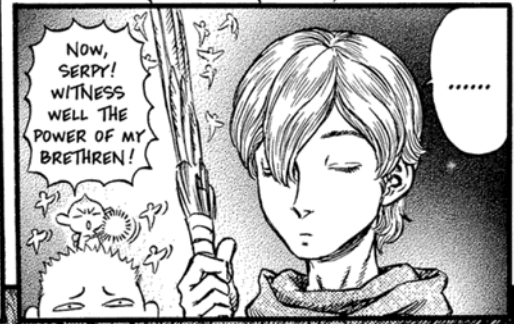
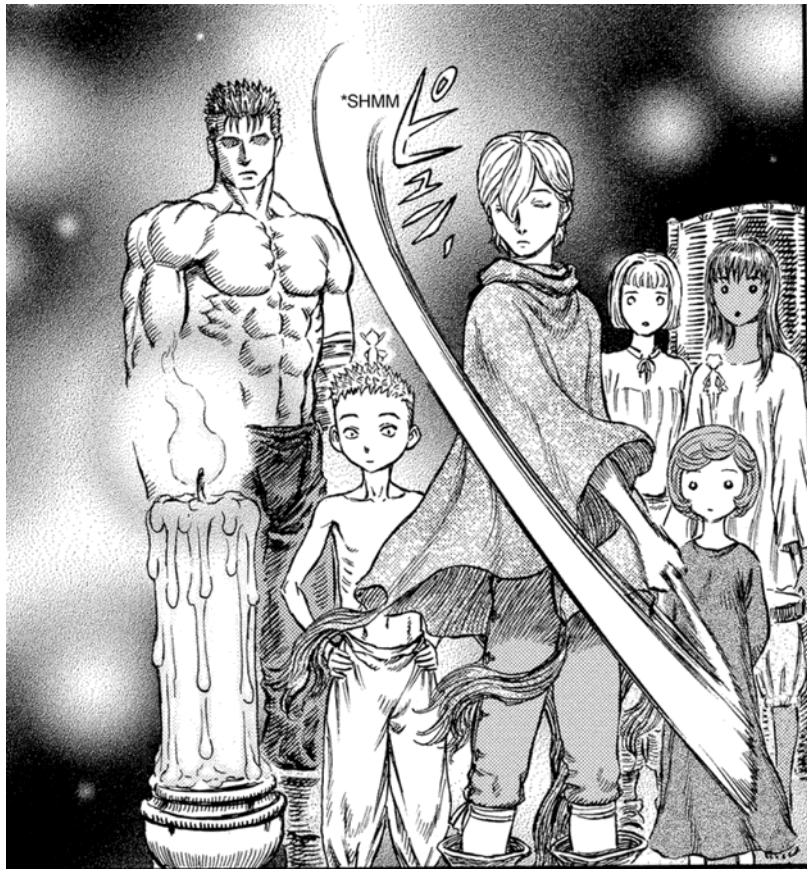


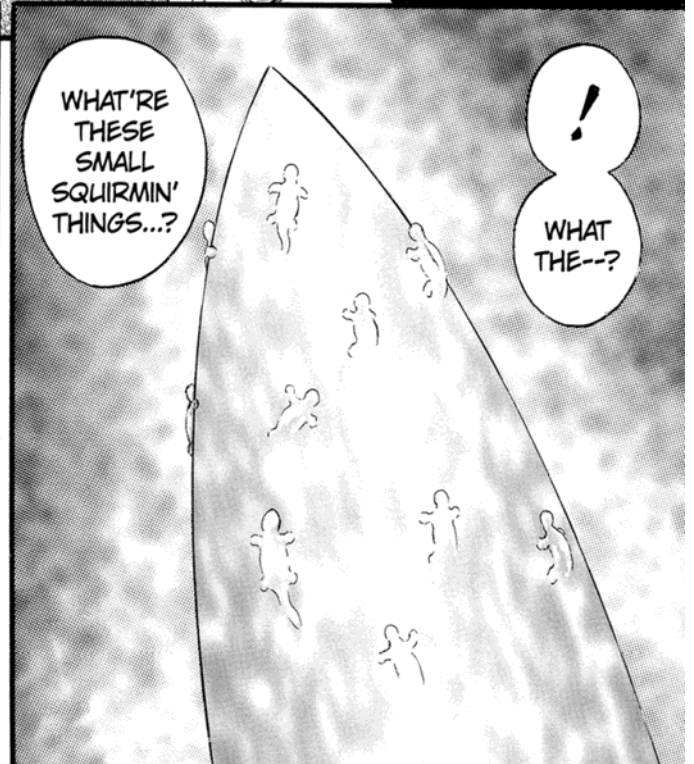
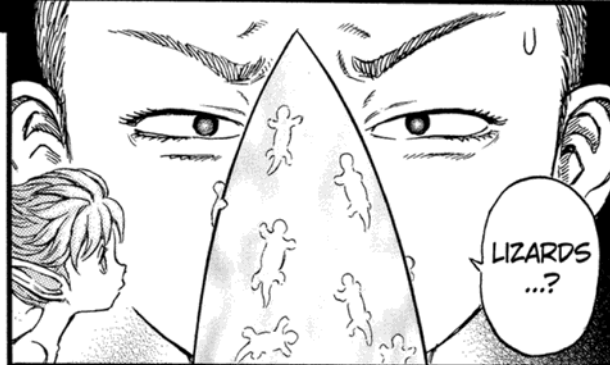
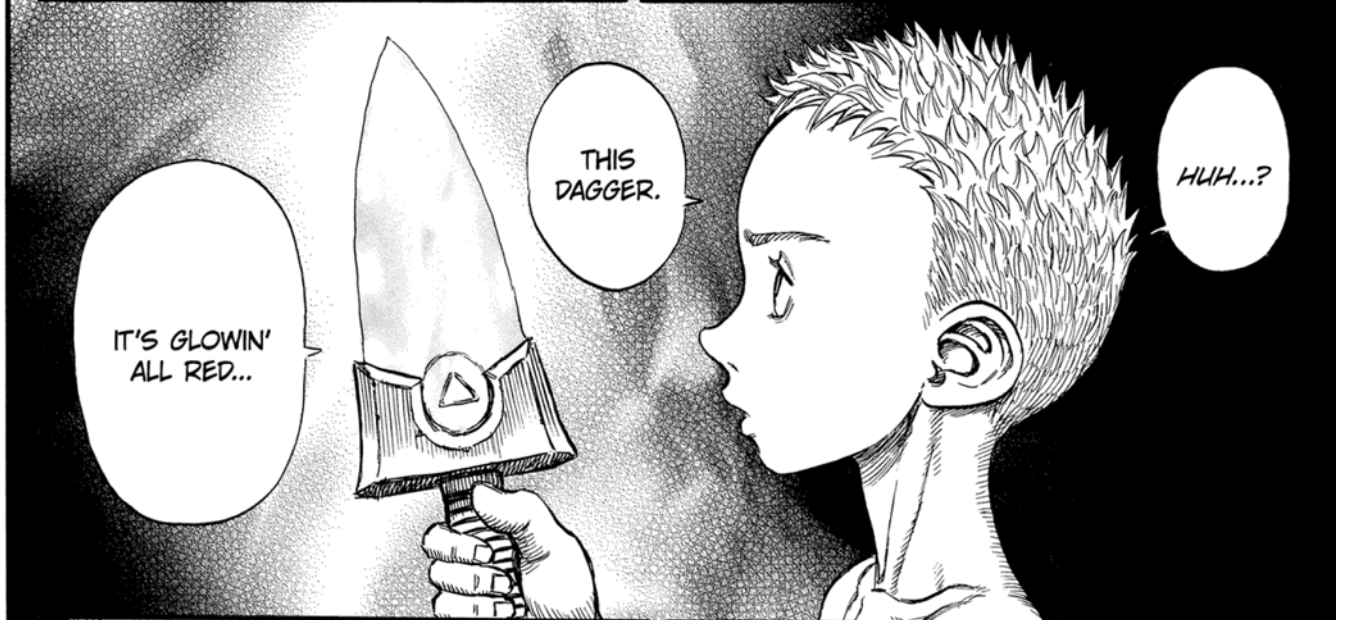
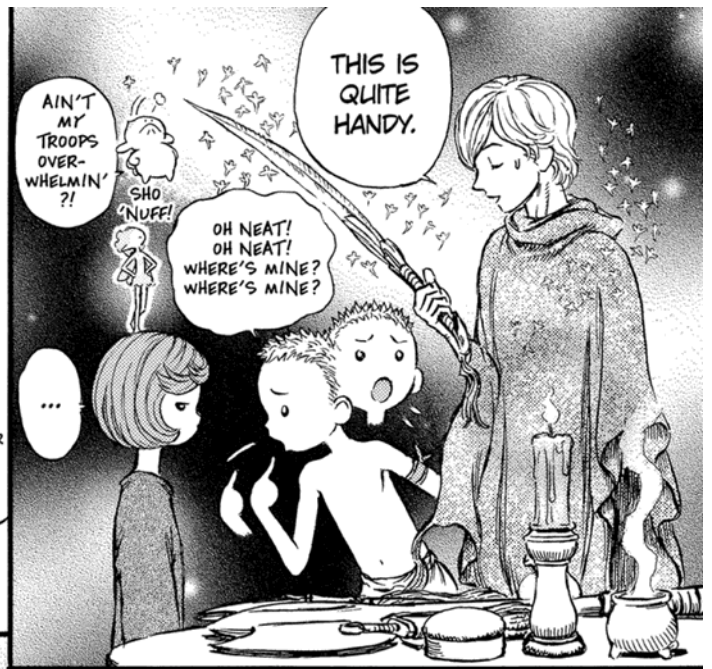
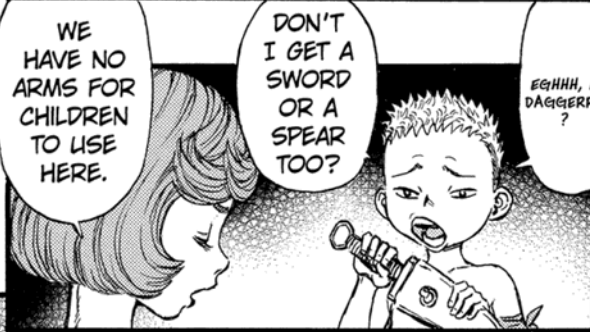
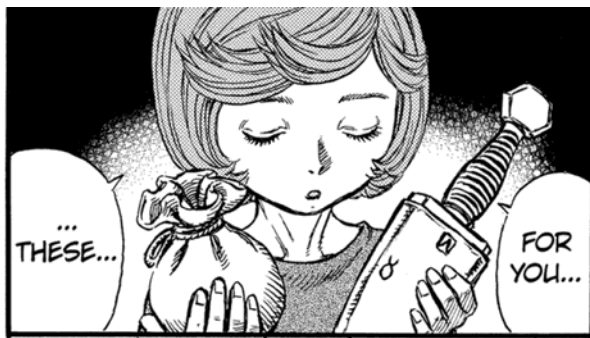
HE WHO
WEARS IT
IS CLAD IN
ATMOSPHERIC
CURRENT...

...AND CAN
SWEEP
ASIDE
SWORDS
AND
ARROWS.

THAT IS THE
SYLPH HOOD,
A FETISH
GRANTED THE
PROTECTION
OF THE
ELEMENTALS.







CUTS MADE
WITH THAT
DAGGER WILL
IGNITE AND
BURN AS IF
STRUCK BY A
HOT IRON.

THE BLADE
OF THE
**SALAMANDER
DAGGER**
IS MAGICALLY
CRAFTED FROM
MOLTEN LAVA.

*BWOOSH

FIRE'S
DANGEROUS.
GO WITH
WIND, IT'S
COOLER.

HMMM
...

*FX: CHNK

RAH.

THOSE ARE
**CONSECRATED
BERRIES.**
YOU CAN
SCATTER THE
TROLLS IF
YOU THROW
THOSE AT THEM.

SO,
WHAT'S
THIS?

HE IS THE
DANGEROUS
TYPE TO
GET HIS
HANDS ON
THINGS.

YOU
MUSTN'T GIVE
HIM THAT!
THE WORLD'LL
BURN IN
A SEA OF
FIRE...!

SALAMAN-
DERS ARE
HOOLIGANS
!

IT IS
DANGEROUS!
DON'T
BRANDISH
IT SO RECK-
LESSLY!

THIS'S
SWEET.

SO I
SAY,
BUT LADY
FARNESE
IS EVEN
WORSE..!

SOUNDS
LIKE YOUR
STYLE.

PLEASE DO
YOUR BEST
NOT TO GET
IN THE WAY
LIKE YOU DID
BEFORE.

BUT
IT IS MY
MISTRESS'
COMMAND,
SO OH
WELL.

THEY ARE AT BEST
FOR SELF-DEFENSE.
IF IT WERE UP TO ME,
I WOULD NOT BRING
ALONG SOMEONE AS
UNBRIDLED AS YOU.

I-I'M
ABOUT TO
GET IN YOUR
WAY NOW...

NOW,
NOW,
SAME
FOR YOU.

SAY
WHAT
?!

SILVER HAS STRONG TALISMANIC PROPERTIES.

ALSO A SILVER KNIFE FOR FARNESE.

FOR OUR TWO LADIES, FARNESE AND CASCA...

IT'S GLOWING FAINTLY.

...SILVER CHAIN SHIRTS.

THEIR EFFICACY IS REALIZED BY THE STRENGTH OF YOUR FAITH IN THEIR ASTRAL POWER.

WHEN THE TIME COMES TO USE THE FETISHES, PLEASE ENVISION THE FAINT FIGURES YOU SEE NOW AS CLEARLY AS POSSIBLE.

FINALLY, I HAVE THIS FOR GLITS...

ALSO, THE DEEPER THE MUTUAL TRUST GROWS, THE MORE POWER THEY ARE LIKELY TO LEND YOU.

AND IF YOU USE THIS POWER, DO NOT FORGET TO APPRECIATE THE ELEMENTALS! IN THE END, THE POWER OF THE FETISHES DEPENDS ON *THEM*, NOT YOU.

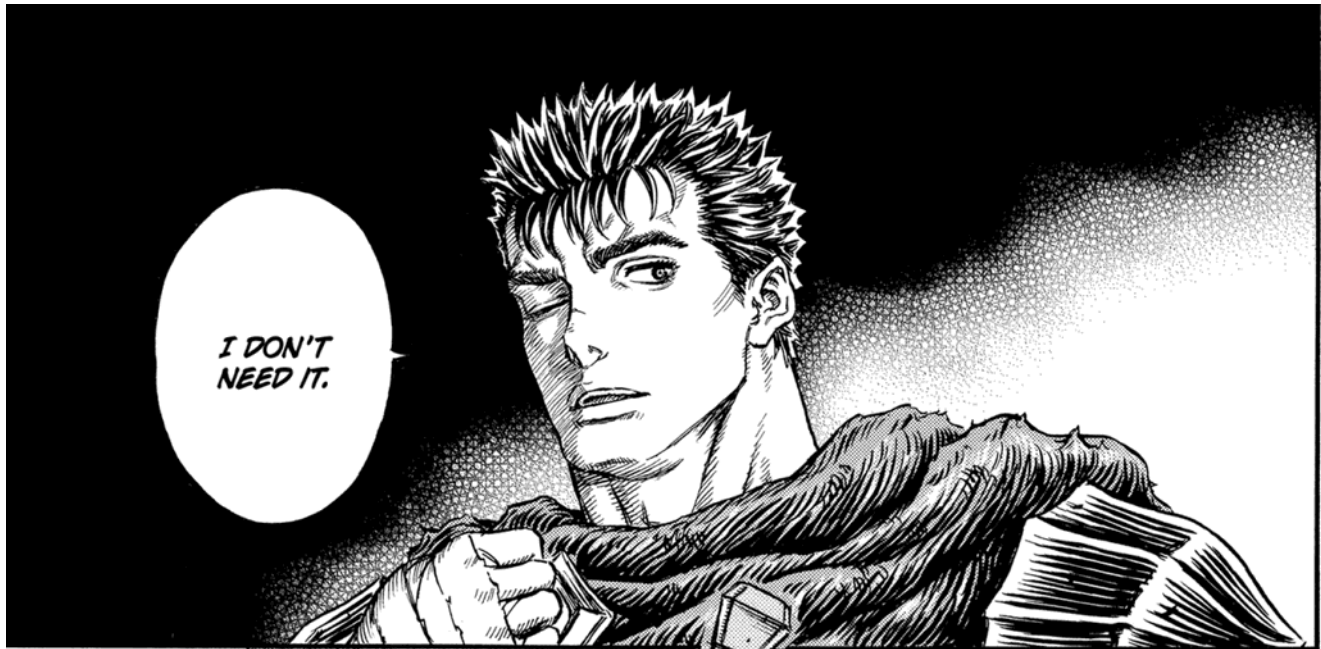
STAGGER

STAGGER

YEAHHH!! LET'S DO THIS, FIRE THINGS!!

I EXPECT THE VERY BEST FROM YOU, MY ELITE SOLDIERS!

I HOPE WE CAN ALL WORK WELL TOGETHER.



I DON'T
NEED IT.



I WANT
TO TAKE
INTO BATTLE
WHAT
MY HAND
KNOWS
BEST.

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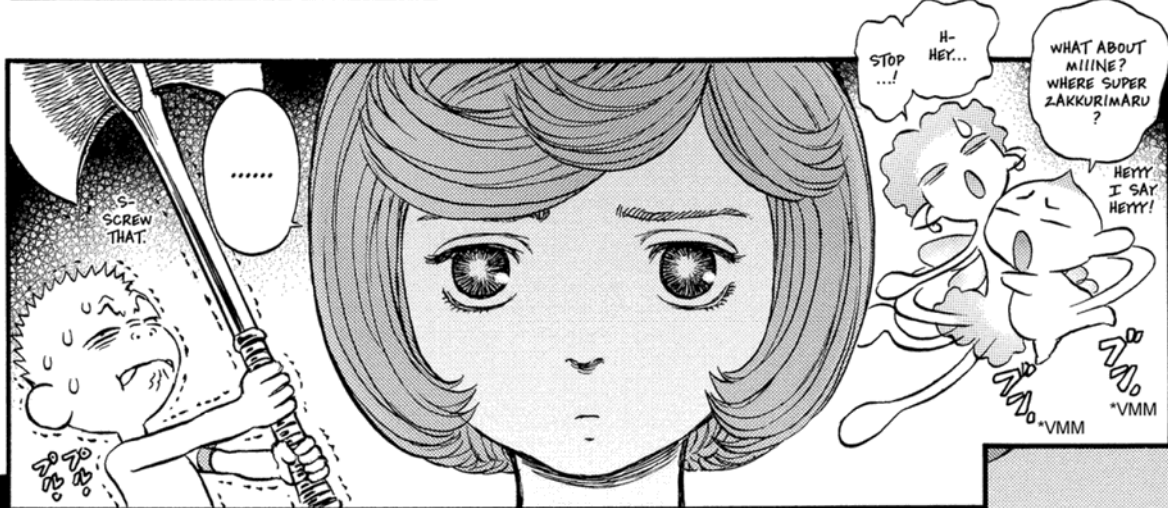
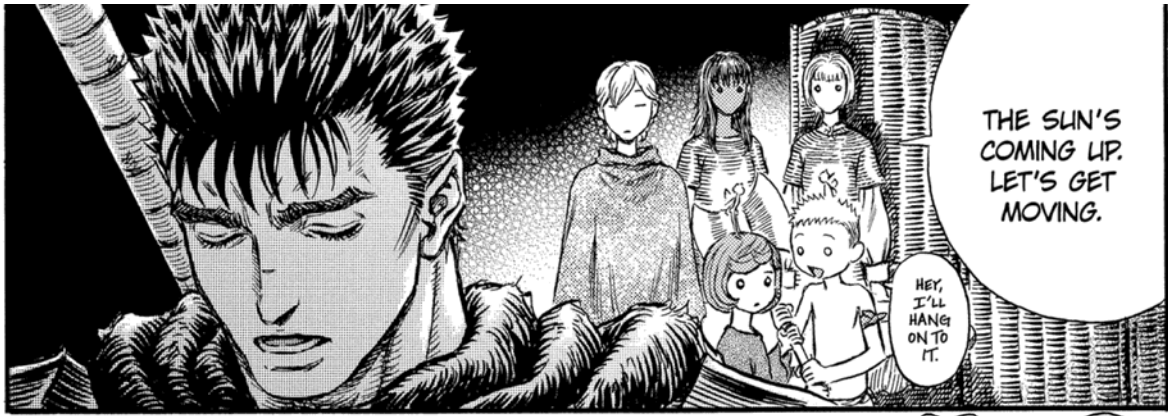


BUT WHY
NOOOT?
WHAT A
WASTE.
JUST TAKE
IT.

.....

NO...
I'M
FINE.

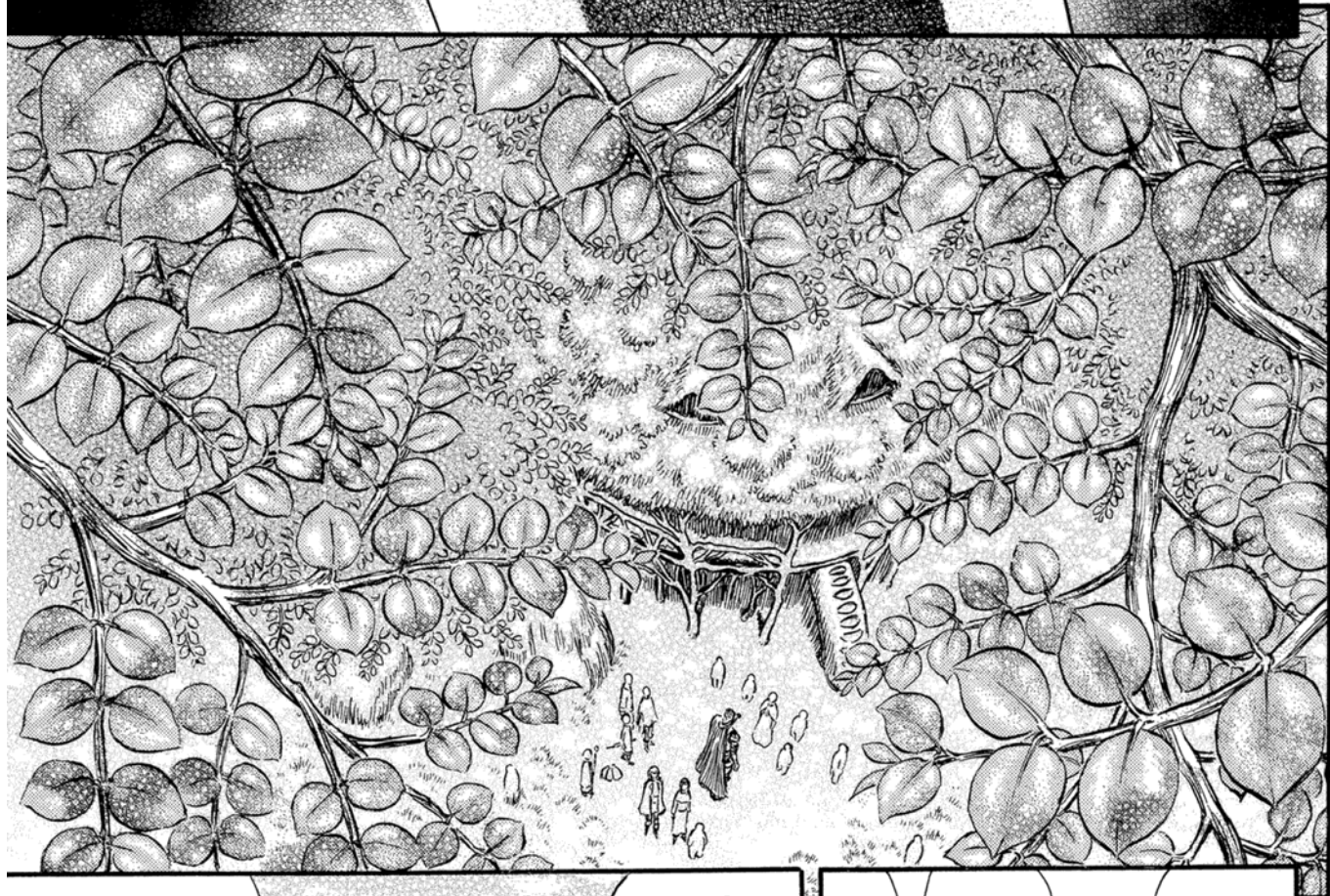
HOW
UN-
GRATE-
FUL!



*FX: SHUDDER



WHAT...?



WHILE YOU ARE HERE, MINOR WOUNDS AND NEW WOUNDS GENERALLY HEAL.

YOUR PHYSICAL BODIES HAVE ADJUSTED TO THE FORMS OF YOUR ESSENTIAL ETHEREAL BODIES.

THAT IS VERY CONVENIENT.

WHA...?

DESPITE IT BEING WINTER, IT FEELS WARM.

THIS IS A MYSTERIOUS PLACE, THOUGH. I HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH A LARGE TREE BEFORE.

WHY, MINE TOO.

THE SCRATCHES AND BRUISES I HAD ARE GONE.

ALSO YOUR VINE BURNS.



...THE
ASTRAL
WORLD
HERE.

!

WE ARE
IN...

TO USE
AN ANALOGY,
IT IS LIKE
THE SHORE-
LINE TO
THE SEA.

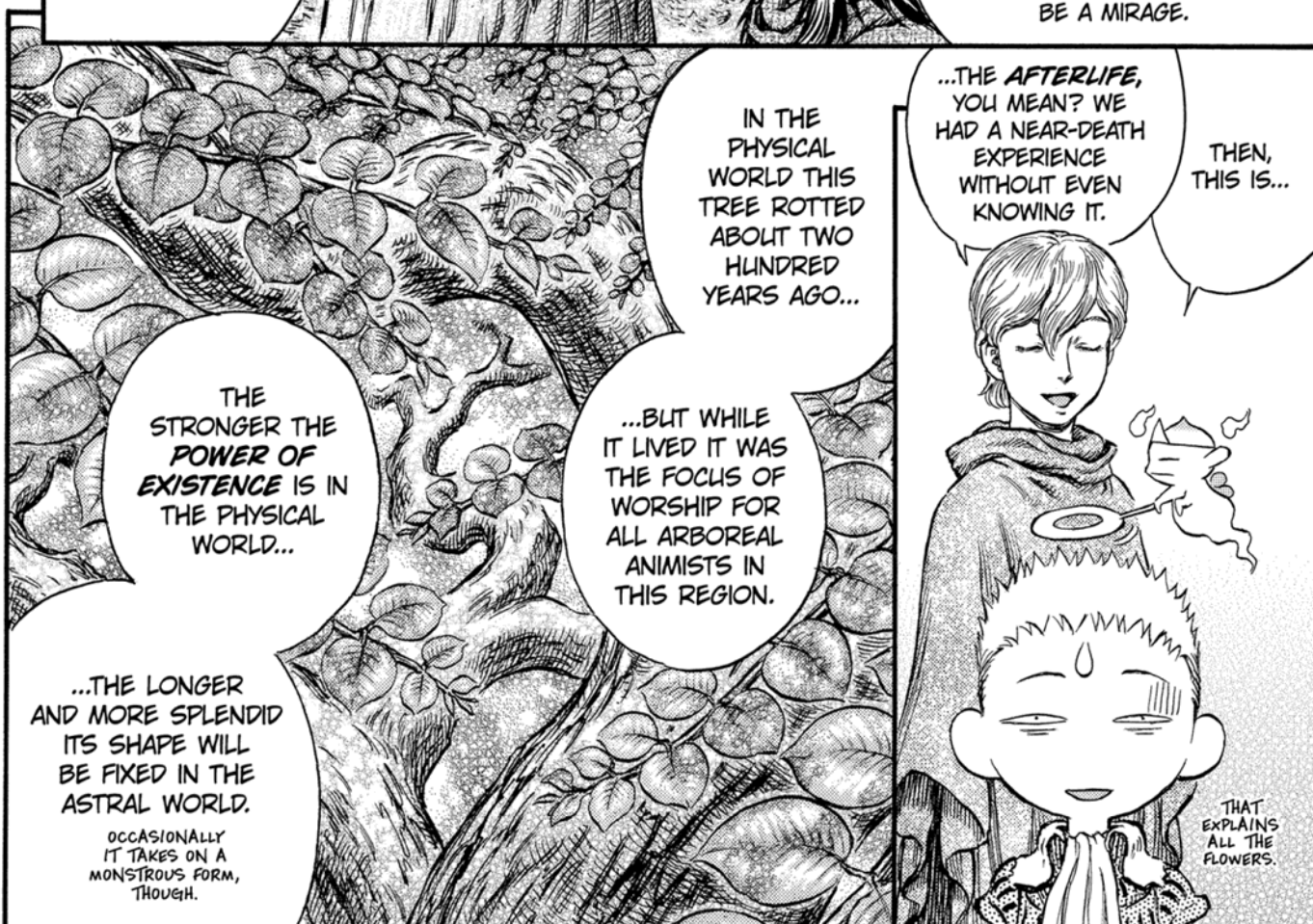
THIS FOREST
IS A SLIGHTLY
DEEPER ASTRAL
DOMAIN OF
THE INTERSTICE
THAT ONE MAY
YET ENTER
PHYSICALLY.

DUE TO THE
CURSED POWER
OF THE BRAND,
YOU EXIST PRIMARILY IN
THE PHYSICAL DOMAIN
OF THE INTERSTICE,
WHERE THE ASTRAL
WORLD IS
PERCEIVABLE.

THE
INTERSTICE
STRADDLES
THE ASTRAL
WORLD
AND THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD.

BUT YOU
WHO ARE
IN THE
SAME LAYER
REACHED IT
WITHOUT ANY
PROBLEM...

BE THAT AS IT MAY,
SO LONG AS THE MISTRESS
OF THE MANSION DOES NOT
INVITE APPROACH, REGULAR
HUMANS CANNOT VISIT HERE.
EVEN TO THE EYES OF THOSE
WITH STRONG EXTRASENSORY
PERCEPTION, AT BEST
IT SHOULD APPEAR TO
BE A MIRAGE.



IN THE
PHYSICAL
WORLD THIS
TREE ROTTED
ABOUT TWO
HUNDRED
YEARS AGO...

...THE *AFTERLIFE*,
YOU MEAN? WE
HAD A NEAR-DEATH
EXPERIENCE
WITHOUT EVEN
KNOWING IT.

THEN,
THIS IS...

THE
STRONGER THE
*POWER OF
EXISTENCE* IS IN
THE PHYSICAL
WORLD...

...BUT WHILE
IT LIVED IT WAS
THE FOCUS OF
WORSHIP FOR
ALL ARBOREAL
ANIMISTS IN
THIS REGION.

...THE LONGER
AND MORE SPLENDID
ITS SHAPE WILL
BE FIXED IN THE
ASTRAL WORLD.

OCCASIONALLY
IT TAKES ON A
MONSTROUS FORM,
THOUGH.

THAT
EXPLAINS
ALL THE
FLOWERS.

SO,
CONTROLLING
MATTER WITH
THE POWER
OF OUR MINDS
BECOMES
EASY.

SHE
NEVER
SHUTS
UP.

*BLAH

*FWAH

*BLAH

THE MAJORITY
OF MAGIC USERS
HAVE ESTABLISHED
THEIR RESIDENCES
IN THIS LAYER OF
THE INTERSTICE.
THE LIMITATIONS
OF THE MATERIAL
WORLD ARE
LONG FIXED IN
A WEAKENED
STATE HERE...

YOU'LL PAY
FOR THAT,
WITCH
APPRENTICE.

I AM SURE
THAT IS
THE REASON
YOU ALL
ARE **LUCKY**
ENOUGH TO
STILL BE
ALIVE.

*FX: WHISPER

OR
LIKE
THIS?

IF YOU
BECOME A GREAT
MAGICIAN, YOU
CAN EVEN FLY IN
THE SKY.

FOR
REAL?
SOUNDS
FISHY.

I MEAN
LIKE
THIS?

OH,
OKAY!

THE ELE-
MENTALS
ARE
SEEING
YOU OFF.

THERE'S
THOSE
SPARKLES
AGAIN.

AH!

I KNOW THIS
PLACE IS SAFE,
BUT YOU CAN'T BE
CERTAIN ABOUT
ANYTHING.

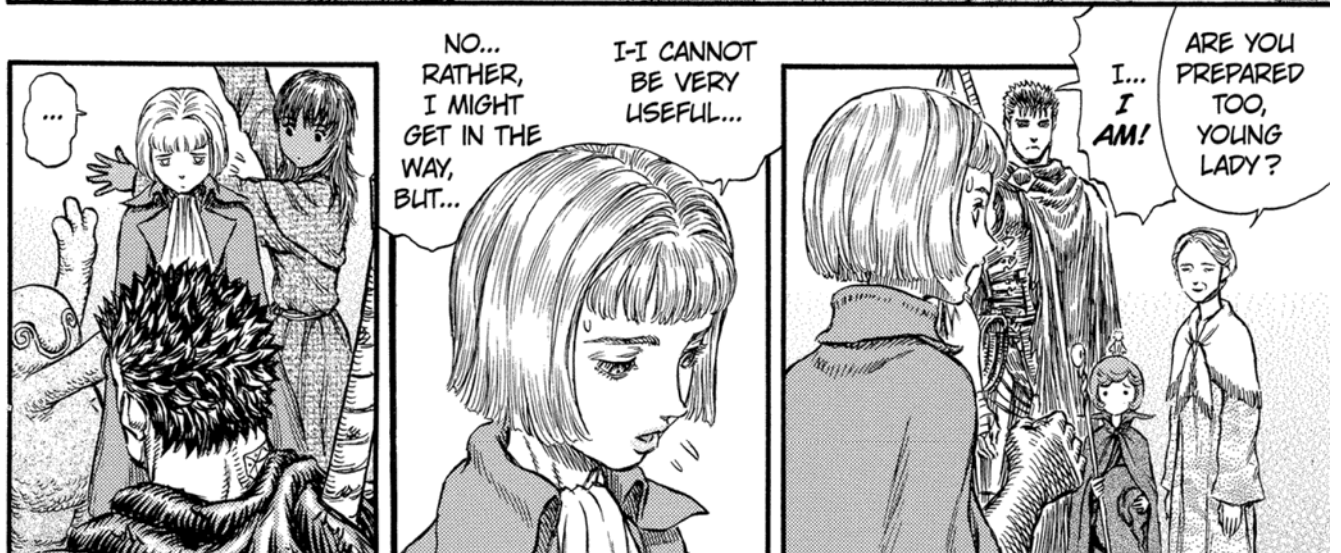
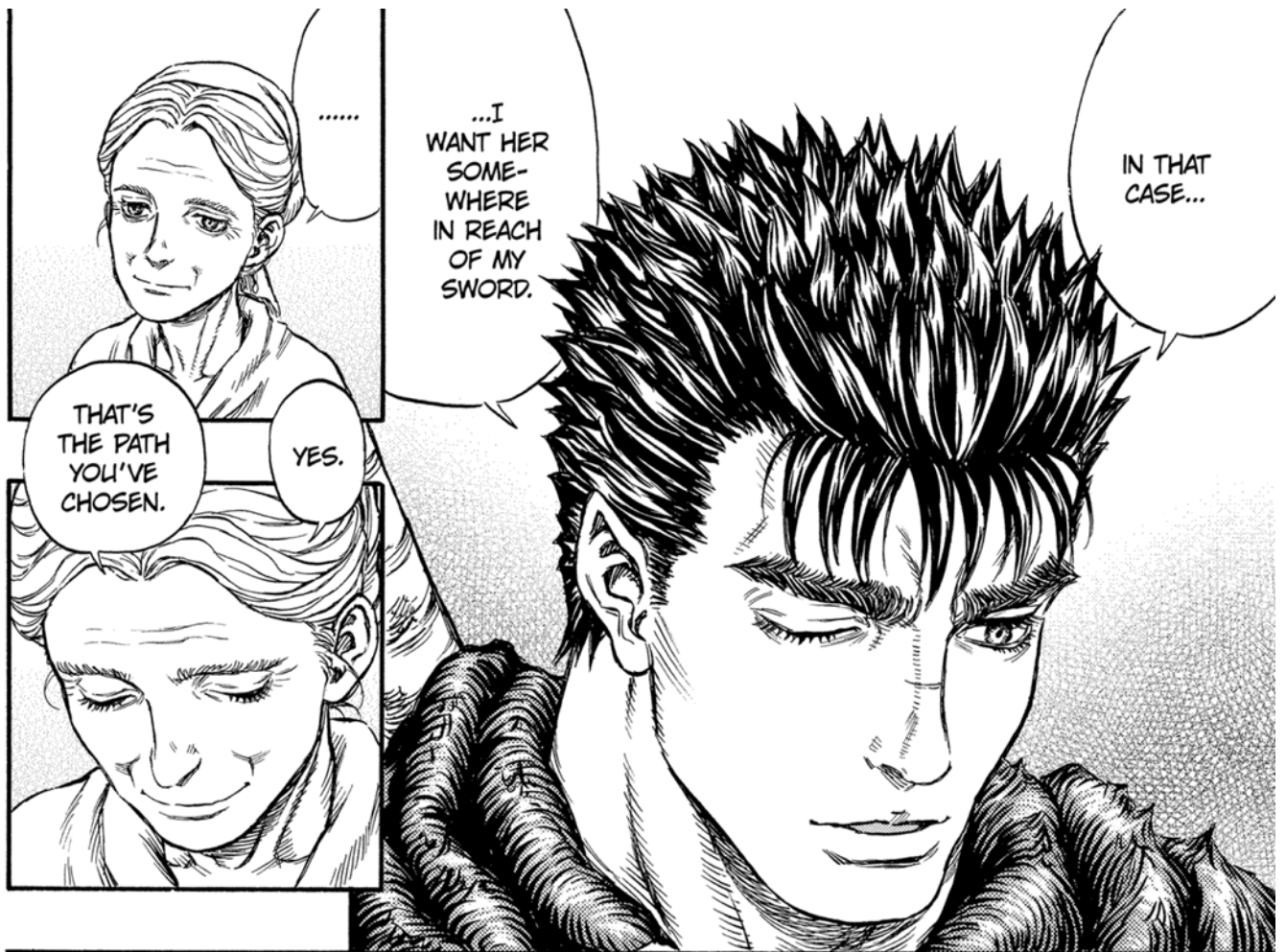
I APPRECIATE
YOUR IDEA,
BUT NOT ONCE
HAS ANY GOOD
COME OF LEAVIN'
HER BEHIND.

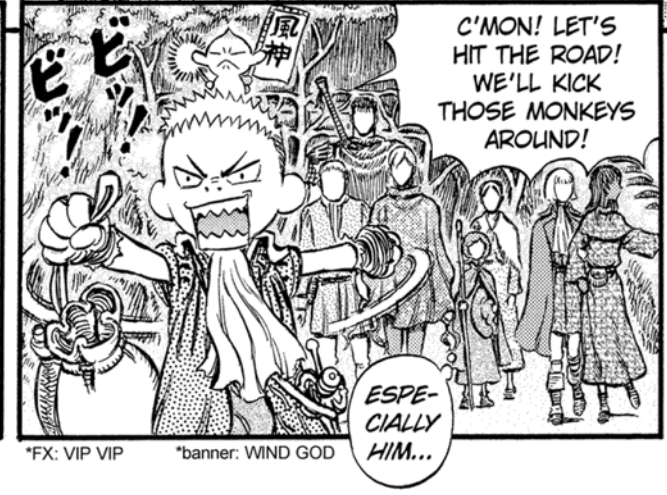
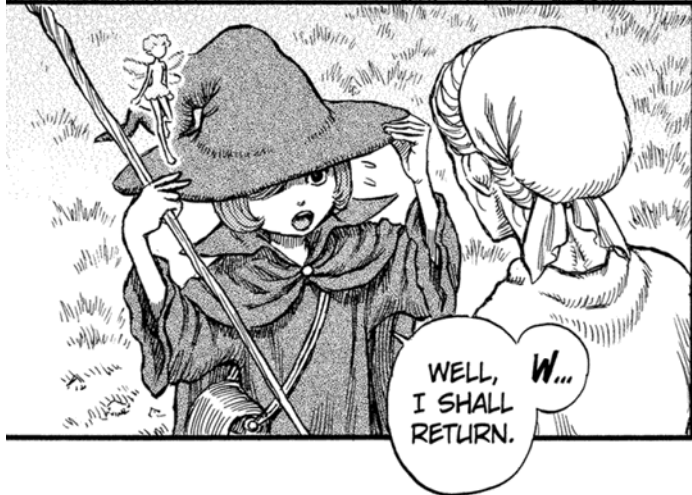
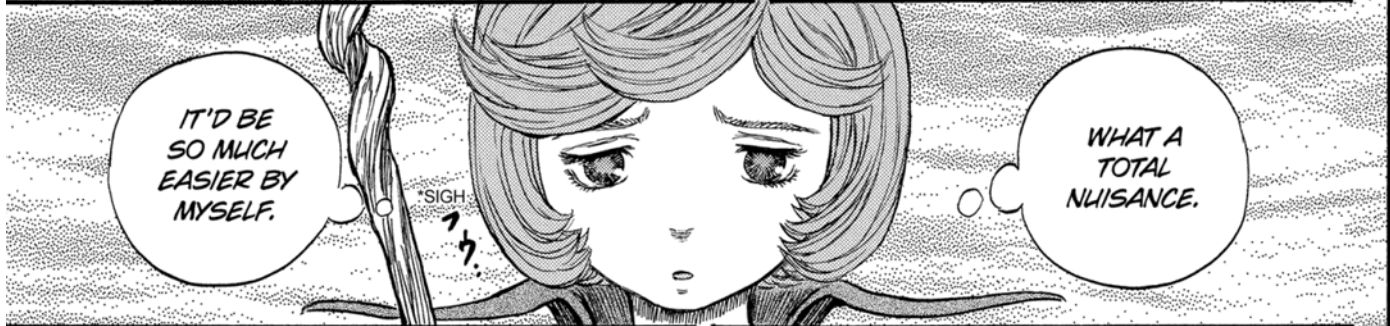
BUT
...

*FX: SPIN SPIN SPIN

MISTRESS,
COULD NOT
CASCA AT LEAST
STAY HERE IN
YOUR KEEPING?

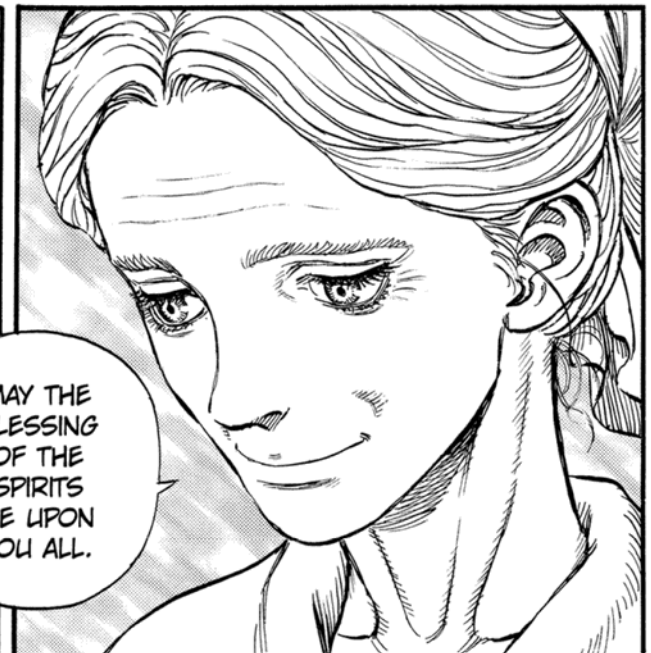
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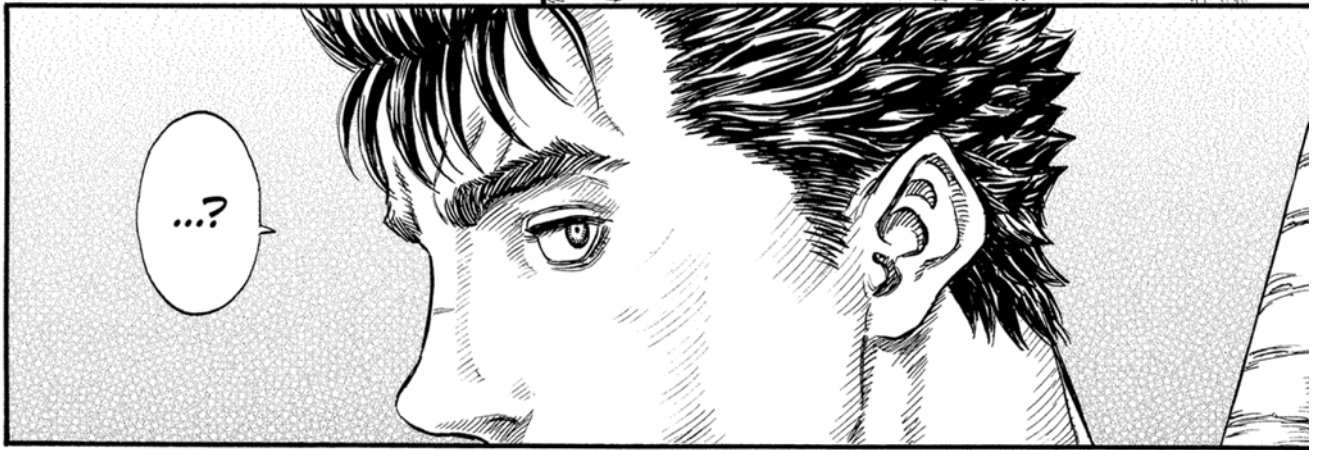




*FX: VIP VIP

*banner: WIND GOD



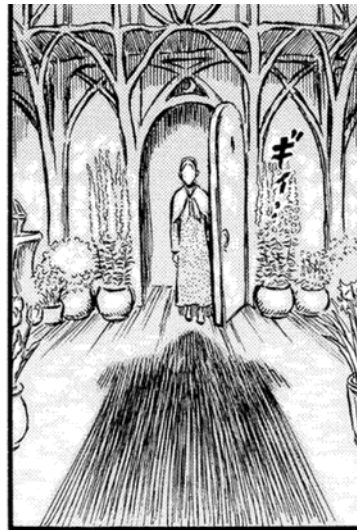




A TOUCH
OF UNCER-
TAINTY,
THOUGH...

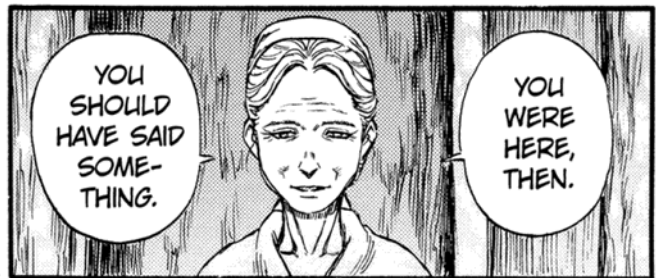
WHAT
BOLD
CHILDREN.

REALLY
...



*FX: GREE





YOU
SHOULD
HAVE SAID
SOME-
THING.

YOU
WERE
HERE,
THEN.

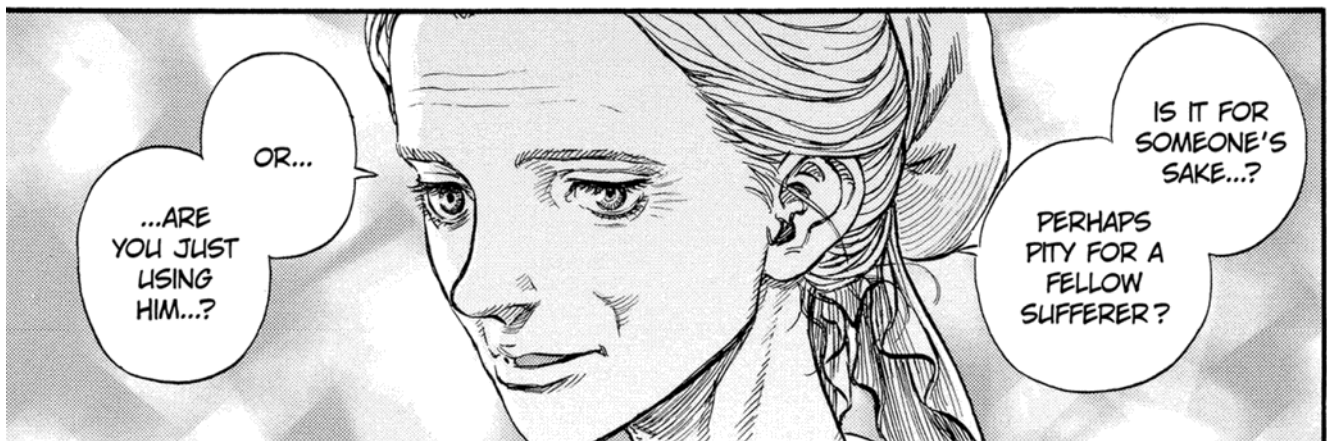


ARE YOU
SATISFIED
NOW?



...BROUGHT
YOU TO ASK
A FAVOR
OF ME?

STILL,
THOUGH, WHAT
STROKE OF
FORTUNE...

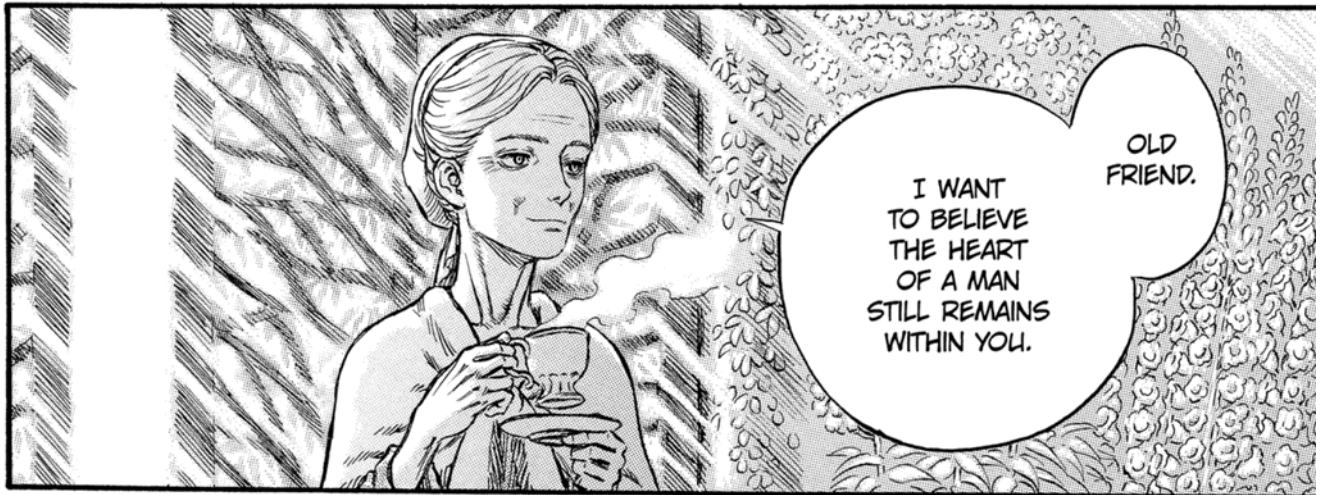
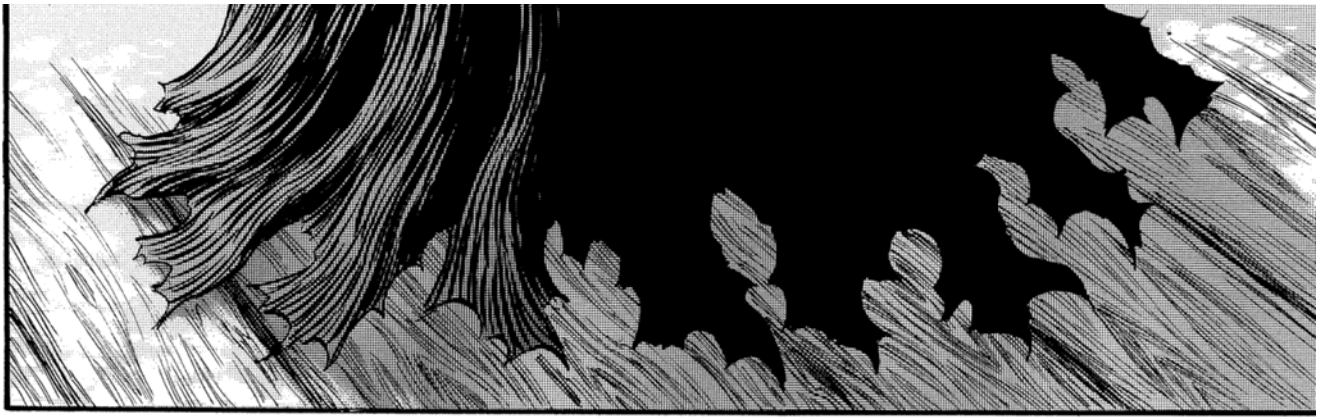


...ARE
YOU JUST
USING
HIM...?

OR...

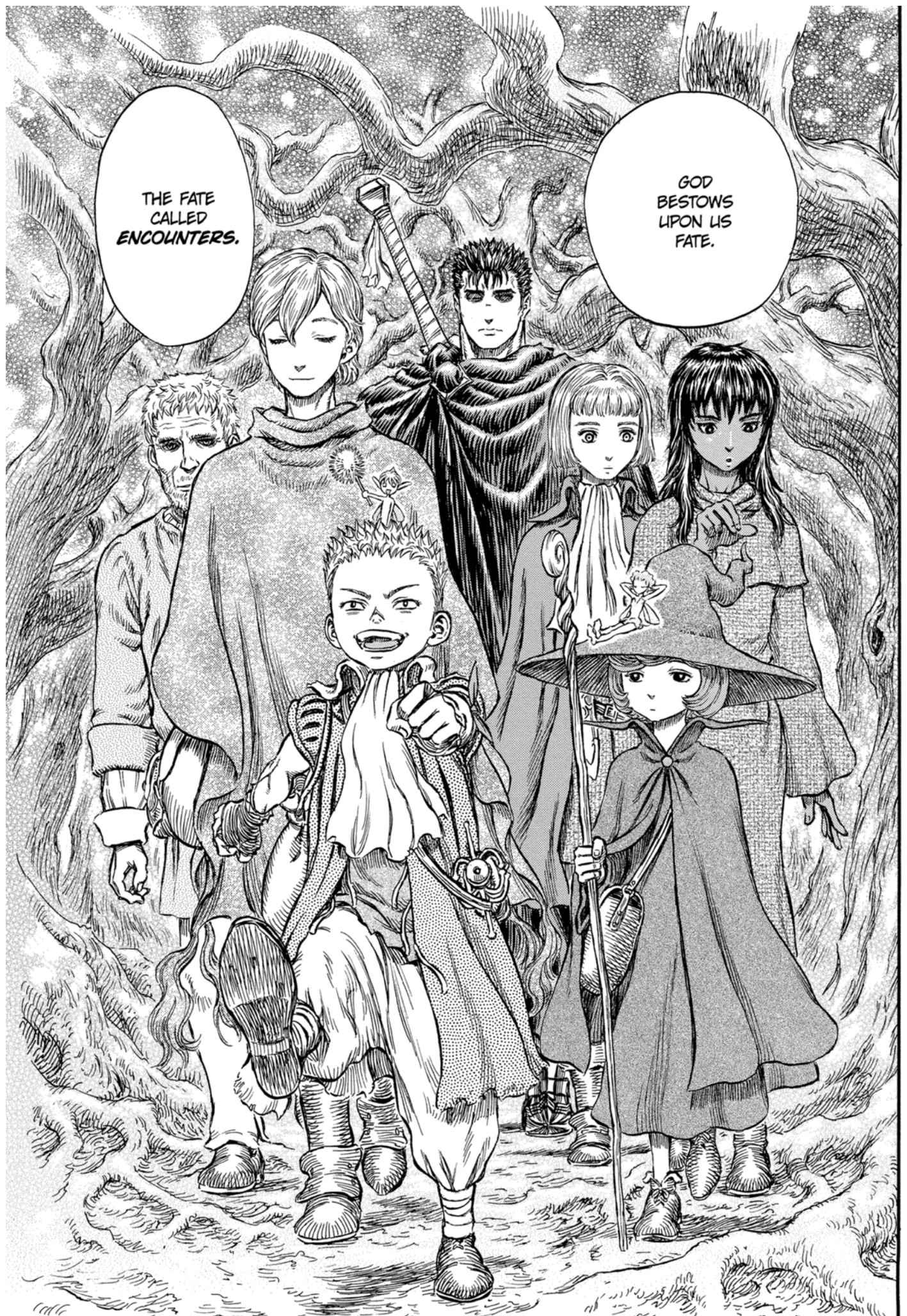
IS IT FOR
SOMEONE'S
SAKE...?

PERHAPS
PITY FOR A
FELLOW
SUFFERER?



THE FATE
CALLED
ENCOUNTERS.

GOD
BESTOWS
UPON US
FATE.

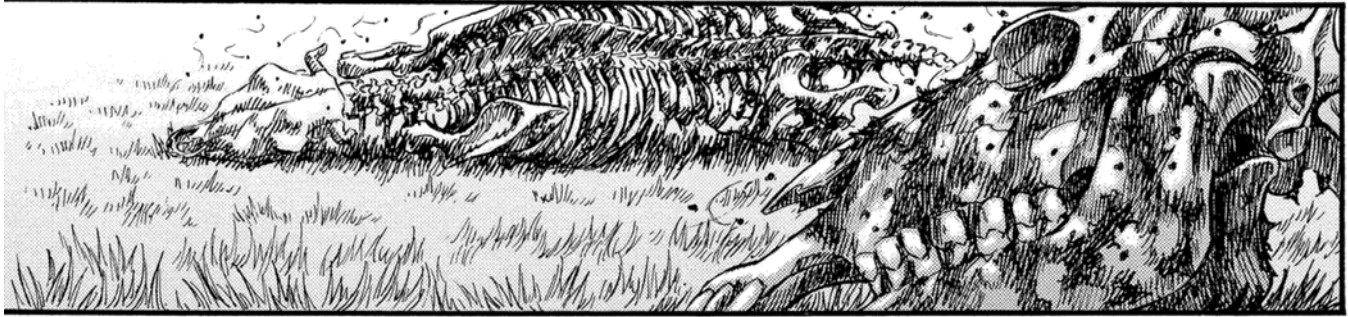
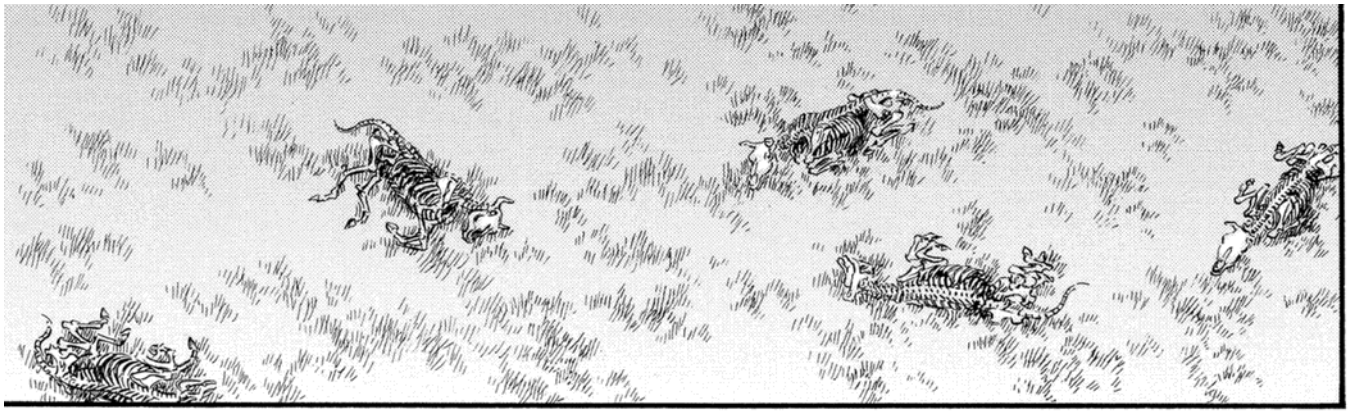


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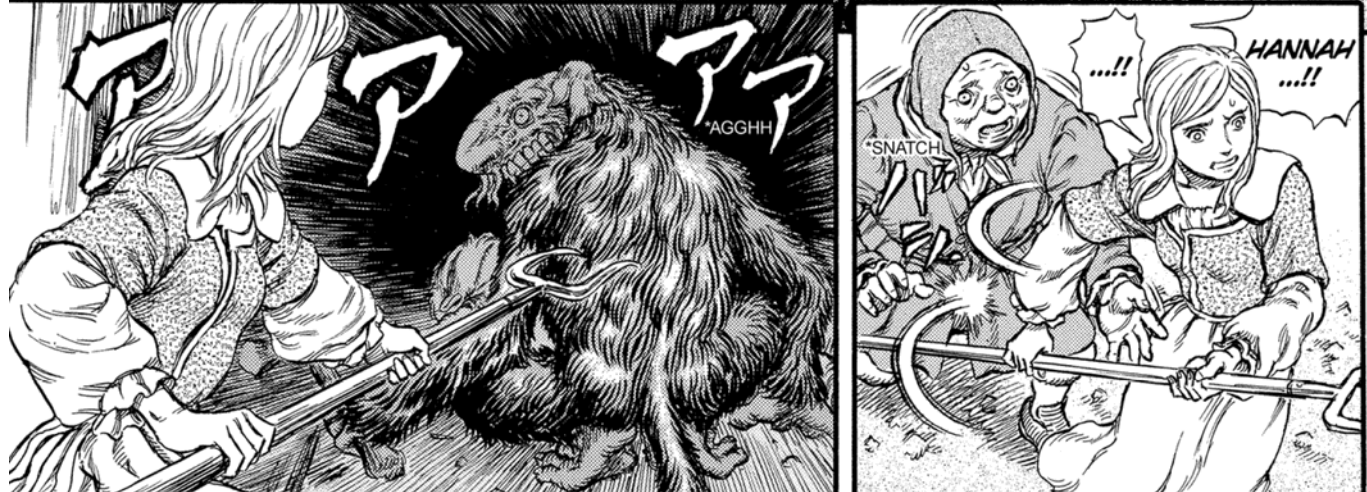
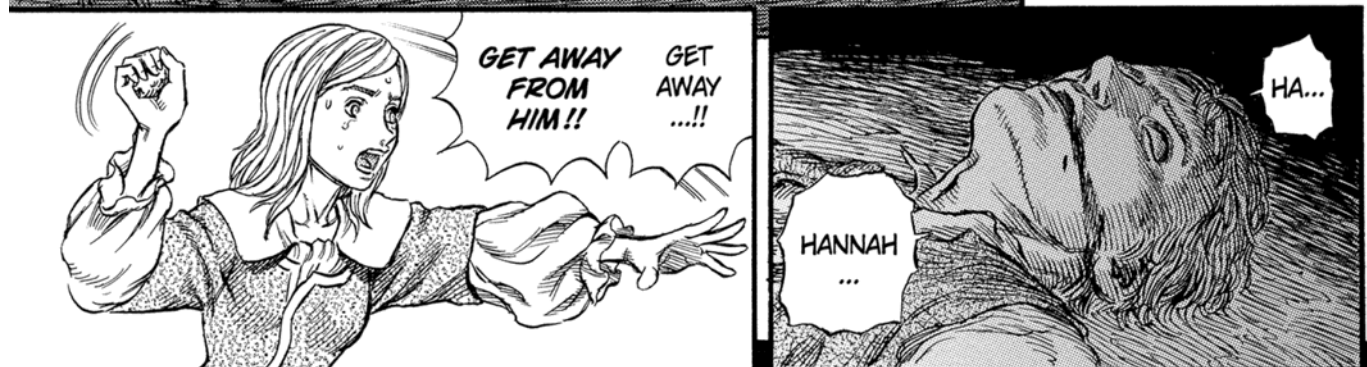
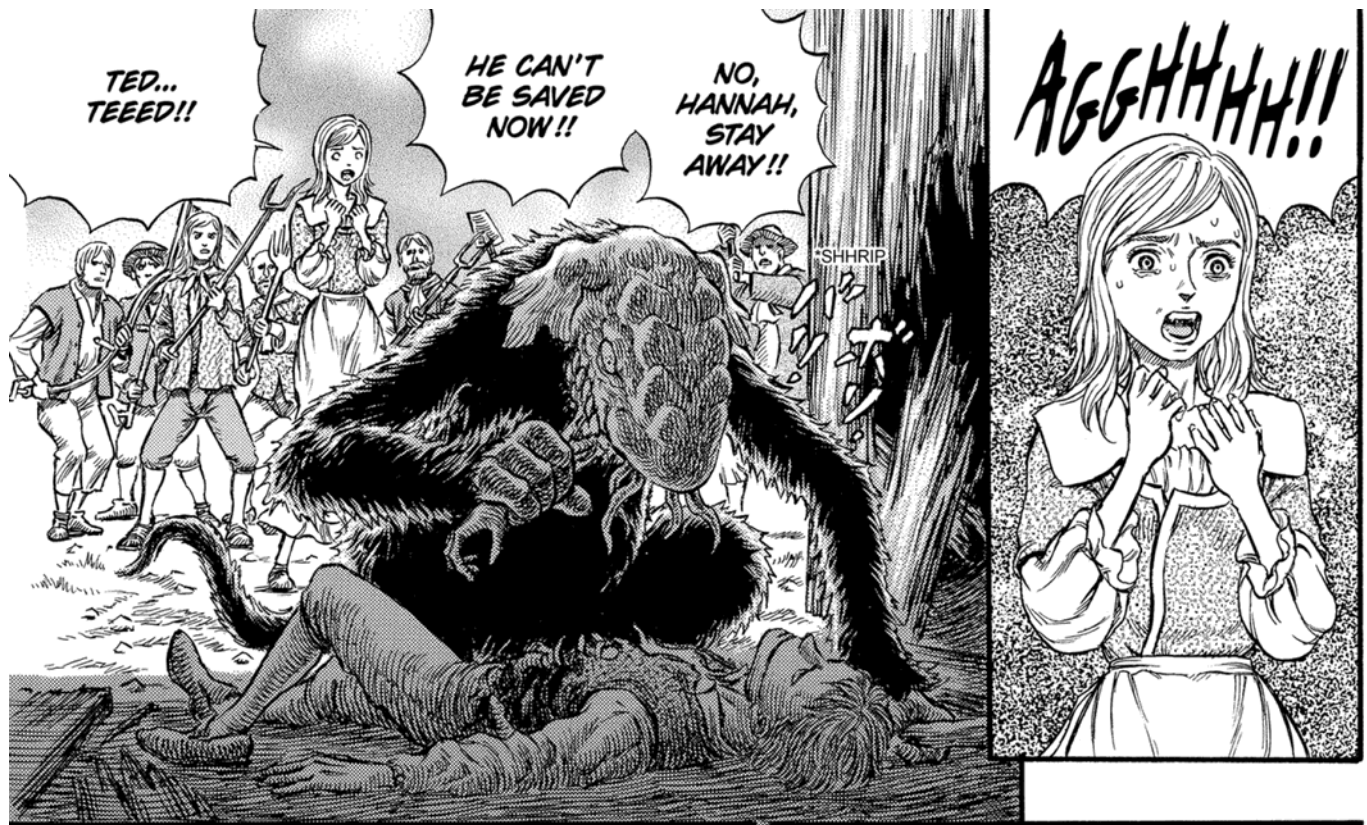
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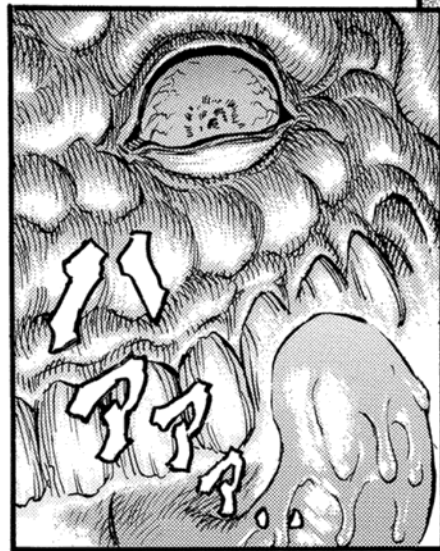
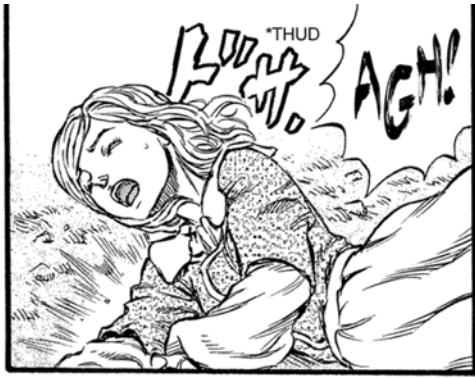


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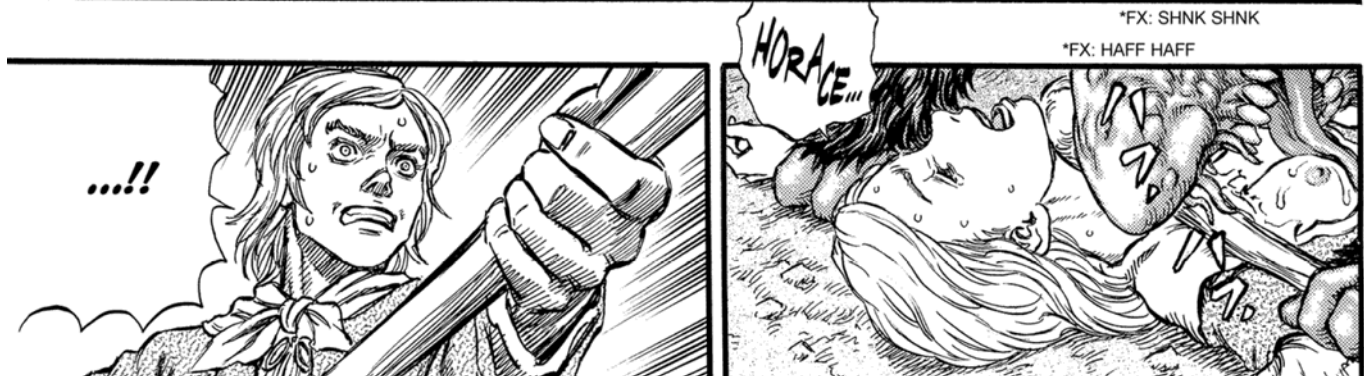
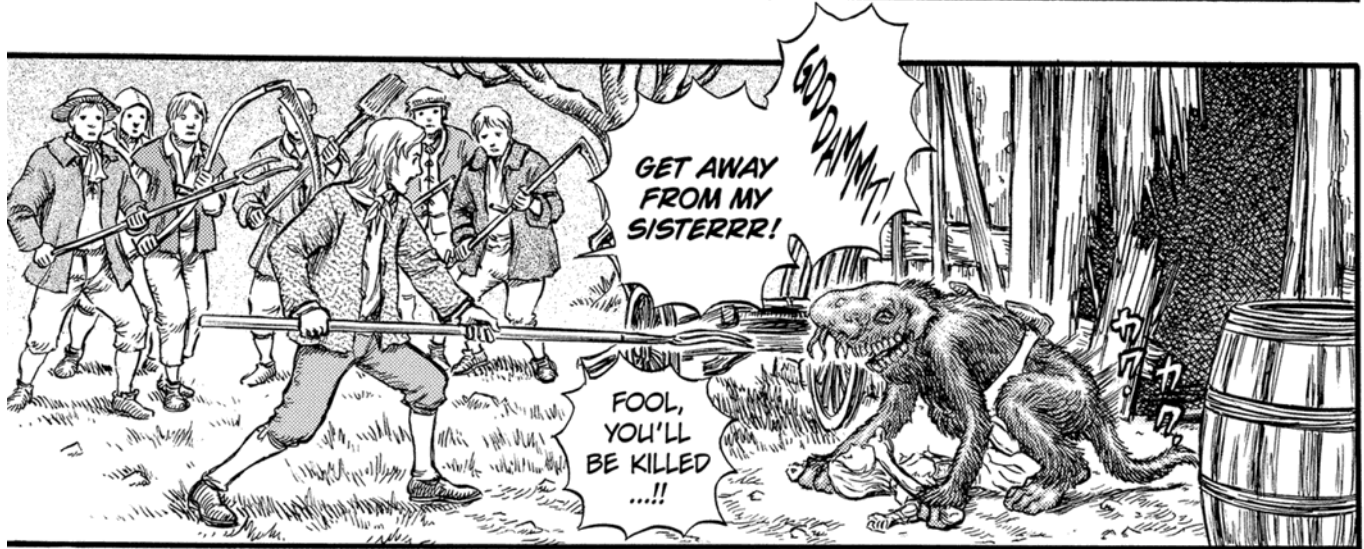


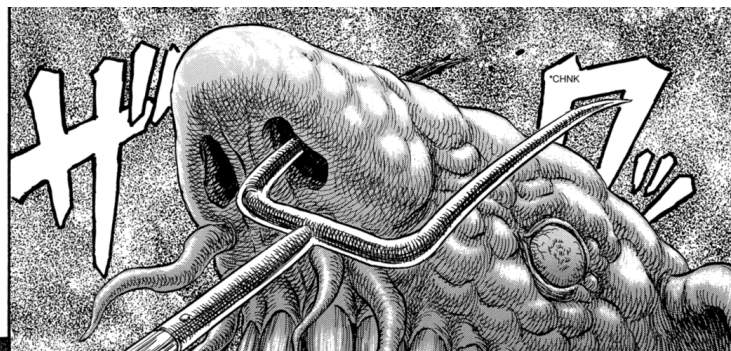
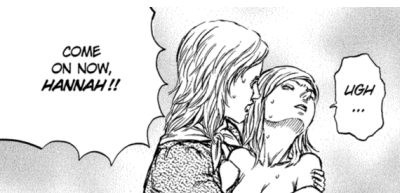


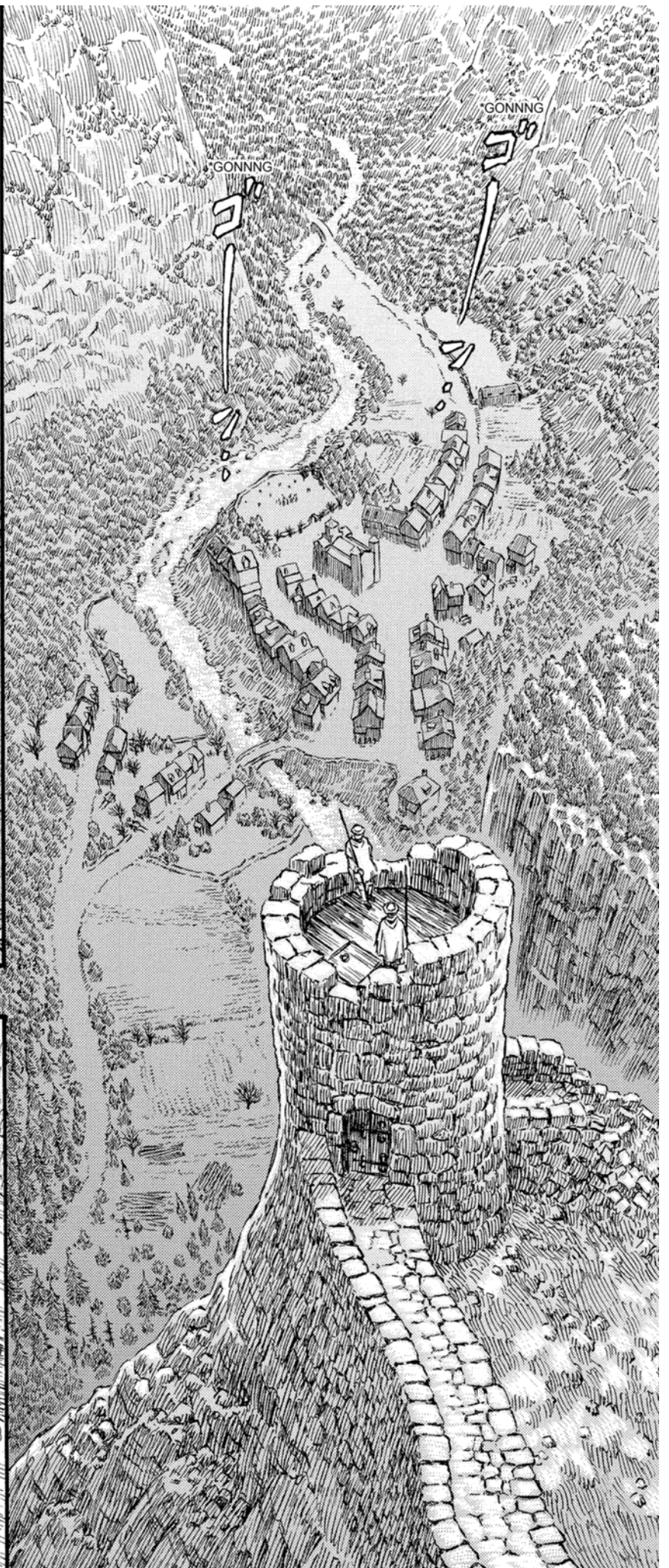
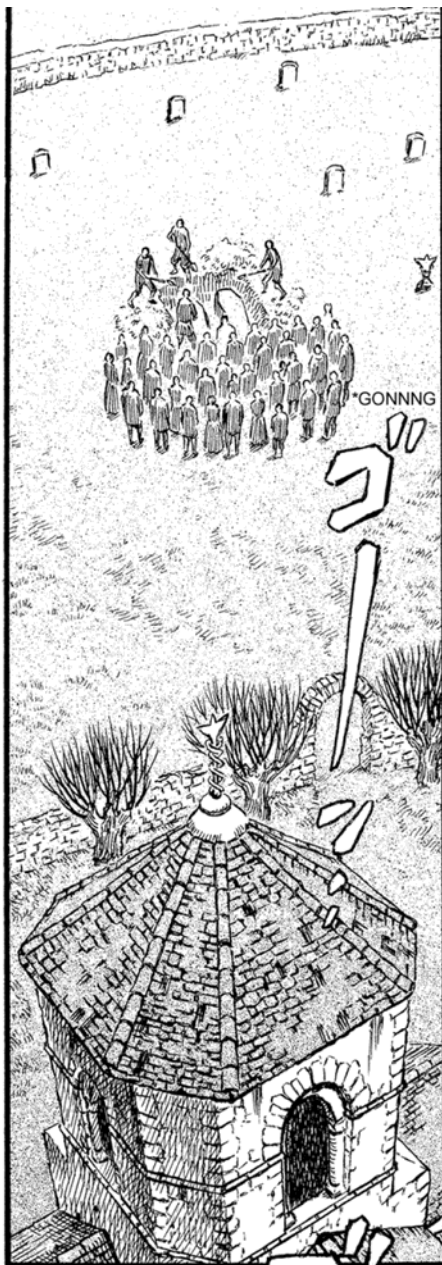


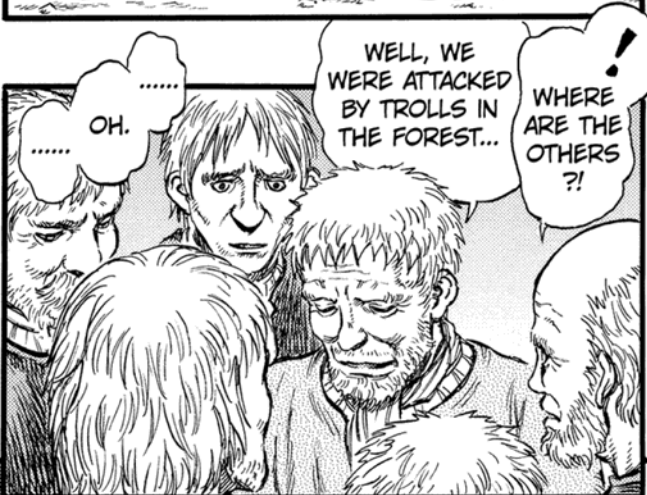
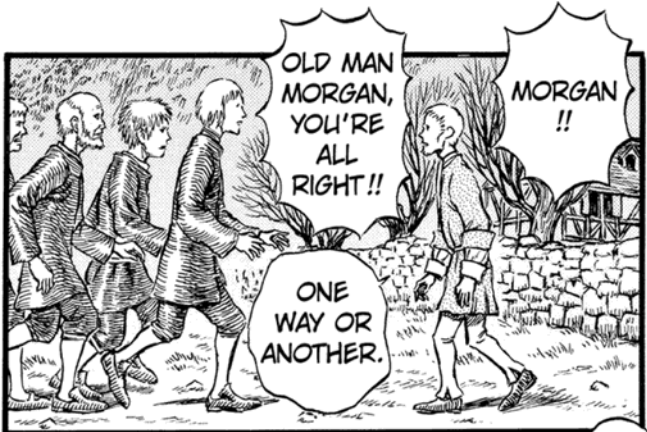
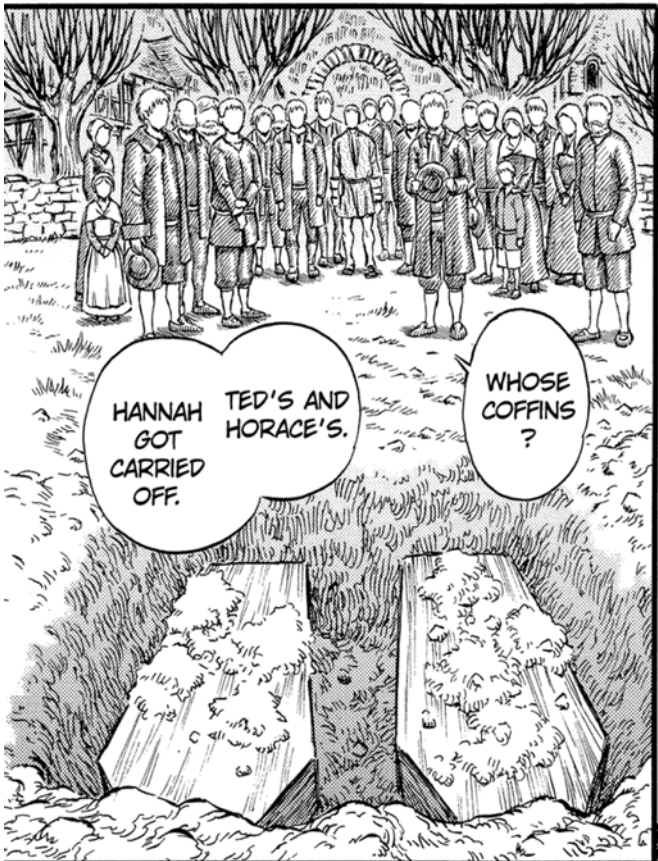
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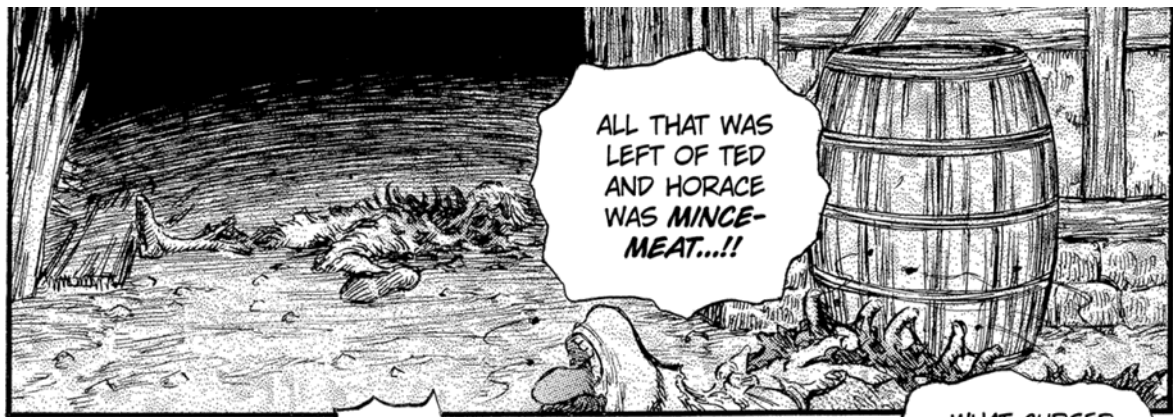


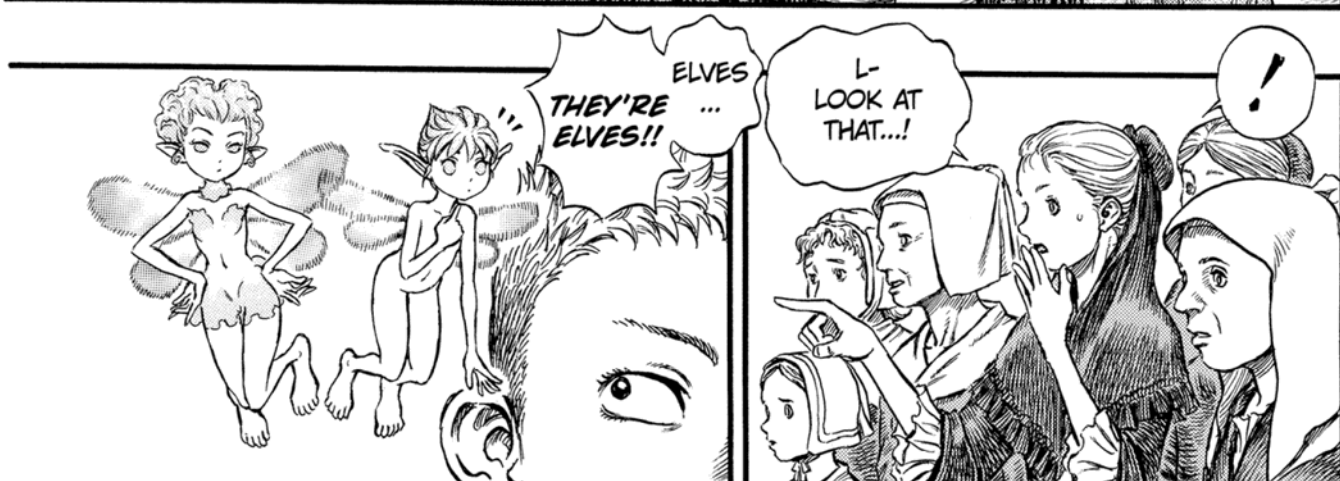
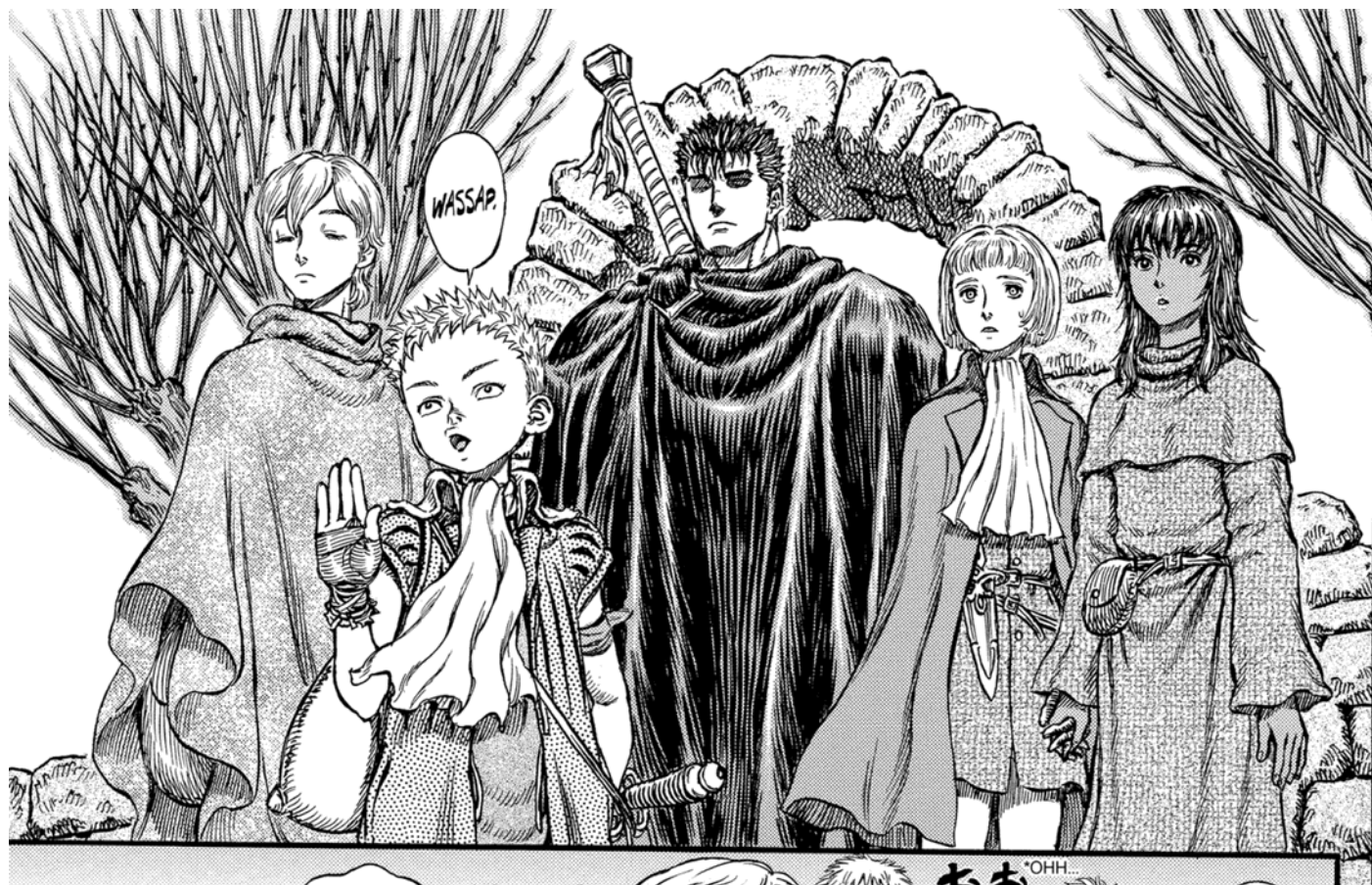


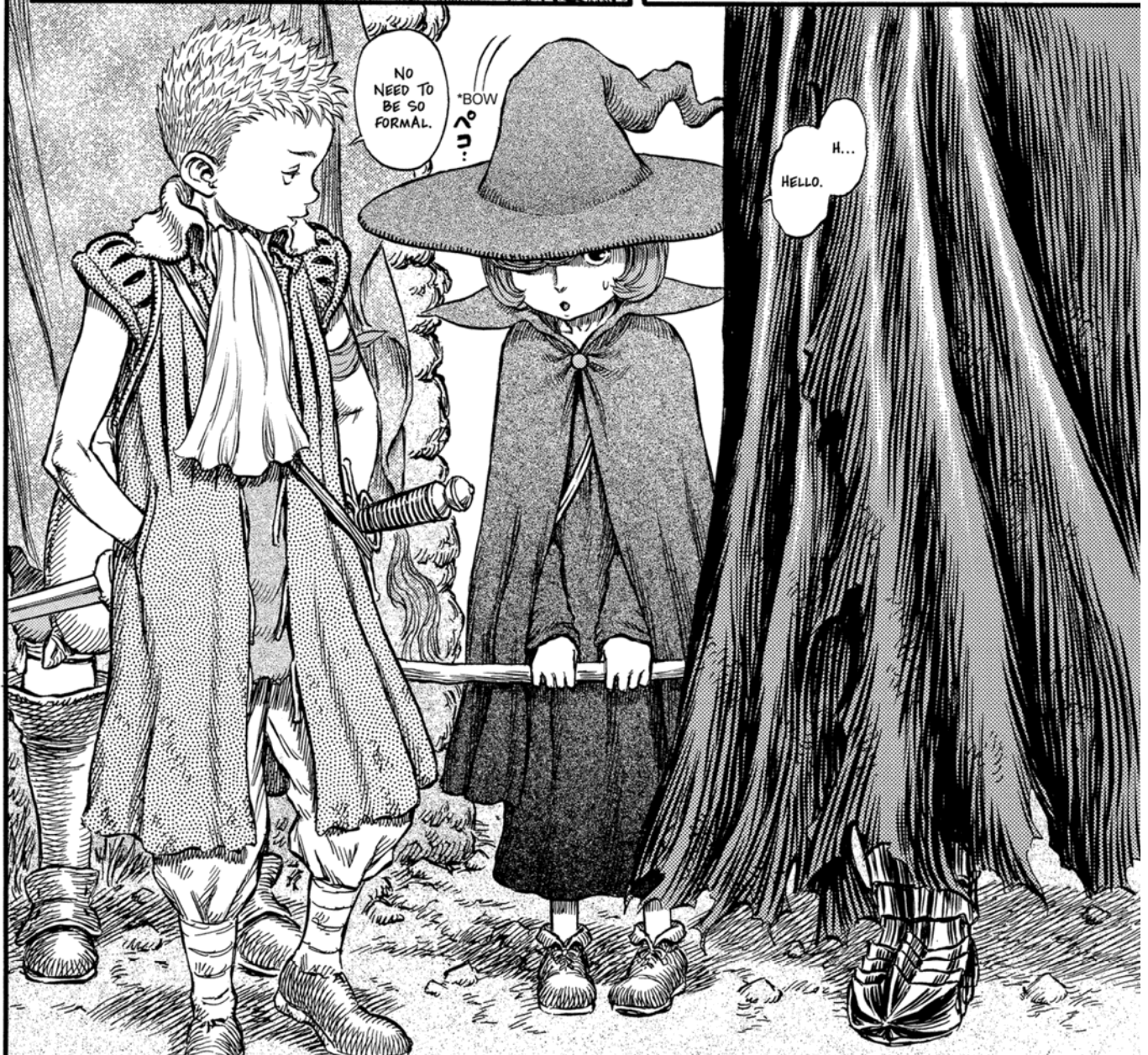
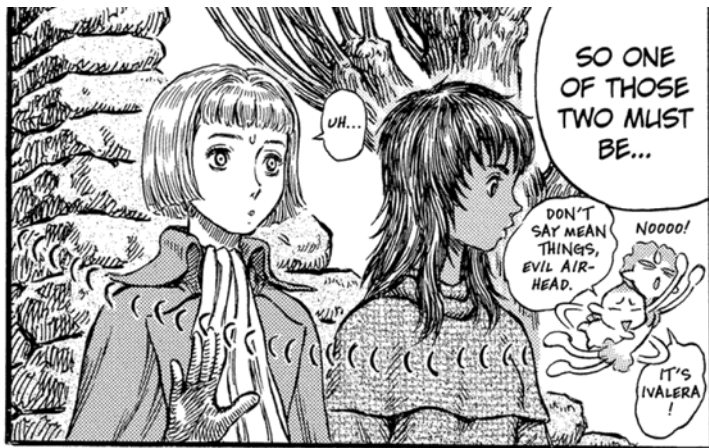


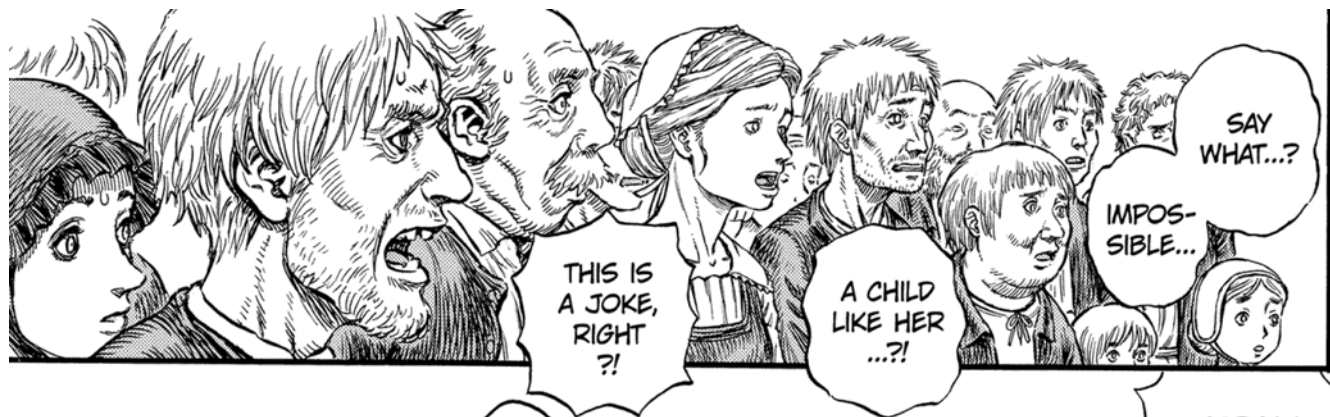












THIS IS
A JOKE,
RIGHT
?!

A CHILD
LIKE HER
...?!

IMPOS-
SIBLE...

SAY
WHAT...?



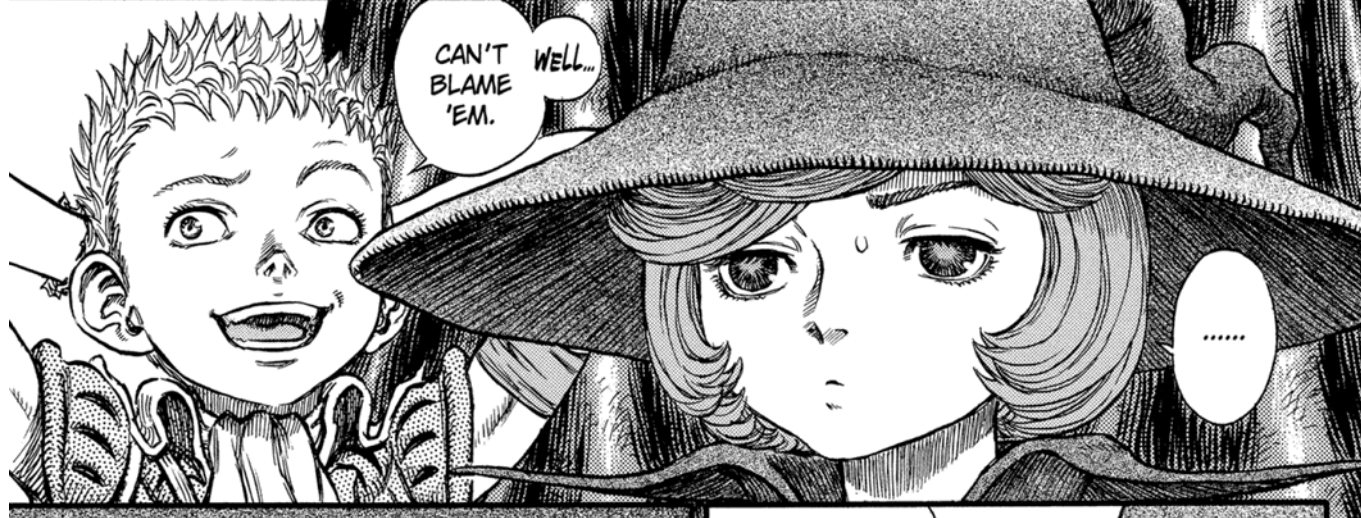
OH,
MAN.



MORGAN,
WHAT'S THE
MEANING
OF THIS
JEST ?!

WELL,
NO.

IT'S NO
JOKE...



CAN'T
BLAME
'EM.

WELL...



...TO
SATISFY
ONE'S
OWN
VANITY.

IT'S
ABSURD,
USING
MAGIC
THAT
WAY...

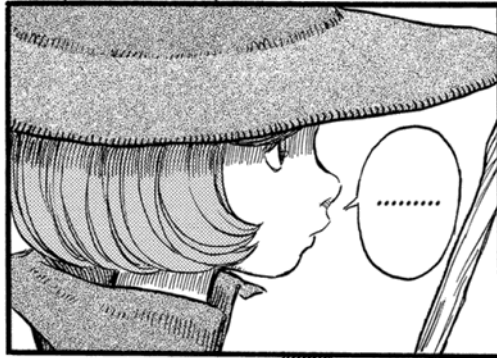
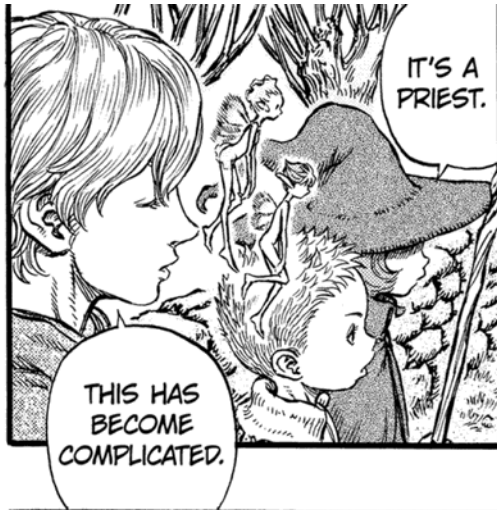


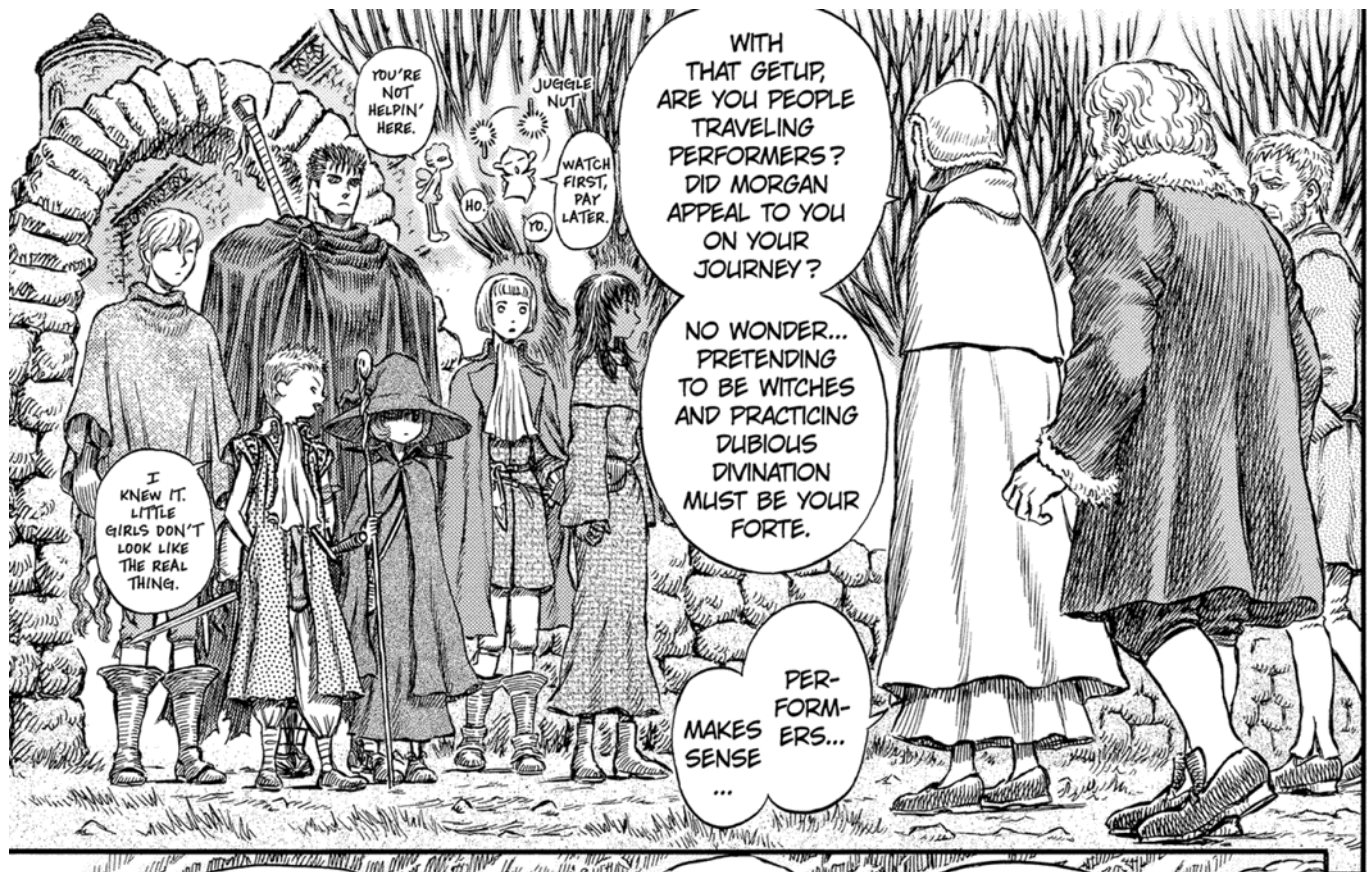
WHY NOT SHOW
'EM A SHOT
OF MAGIC?
TO HELP 'EM
GET IT?

I CAN
DO NO
SUCH
THING!



I TOLD
YOU AS
MUCH,
VILLAGE
CHIEF.





YOU'RE NOT HELPIN' HERE.

JUGGLE NUT!

WATCH FIRST, PAY LATER.

HO.

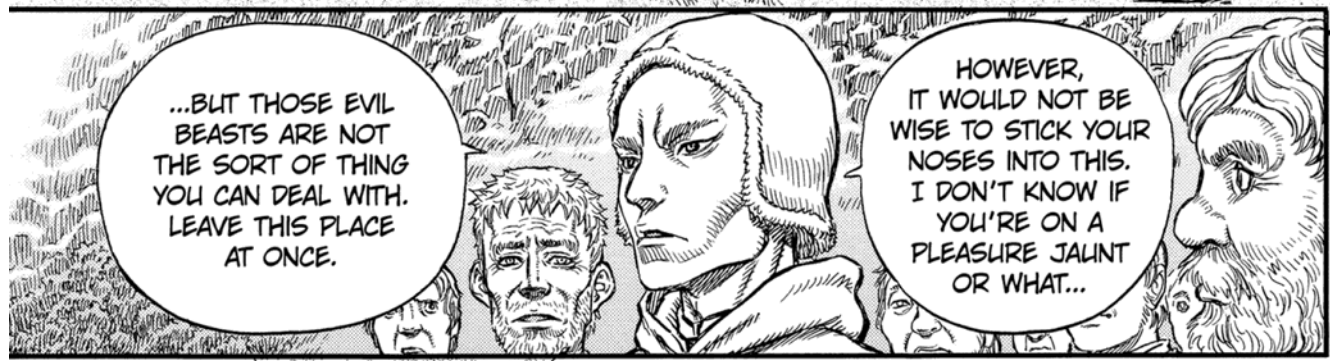
YO.

WITH THAT GETUP, ARE YOU PEOPLE TRAVELING PERFORMERS? DID MORGAN APPEAL TO YOU ON YOUR JOURNEY?

NO WONDER... PRETENDING TO BE WITCHES AND PRACTICING DUBIOUS DIVINATION MUST BE YOUR FORTE.

PERFORMERS... MAKES SENSE ...

I KNEW IT. LITTLE GIRLS DON'T LOOK LIKE THE REAL THING.



...BUT THOSE EVIL BEASTS ARE NOT THE SORT OF THING YOU CAN DEAL WITH. LEAVE THIS PLACE AT ONCE.

HOWEVER, IT WOULD NOT BE WISE TO STICK YOUR NOSES INTO THIS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE ON A PLEASURE JAUNT OR WHAT...



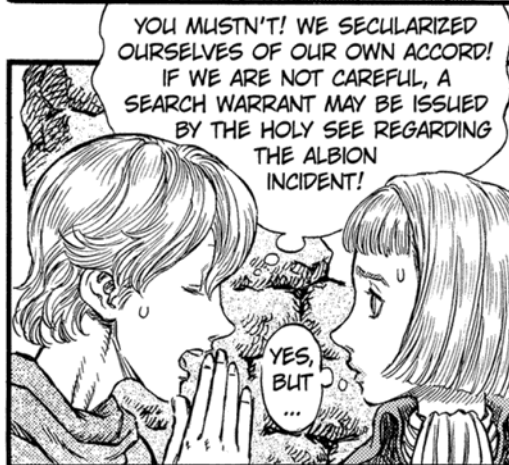
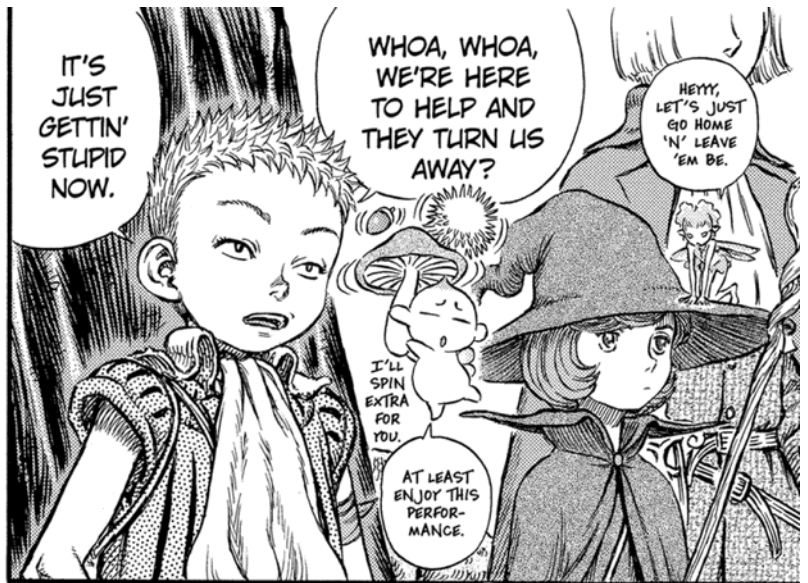
ALL WE CAN DO IS PRAY AND ENDURE.

THIS IS A TEST GIVEN BY GOD TO THIS VILLAGE.

B-BUT, FATHER.

AFTER A CLOSE LOOK, DOESN'T THAT BIG MAN LOOK QUITE POWERFUL? WE ARE SHORT HANDED RIGHT NOW, SO TO TURN THEM AWAY WOULD...

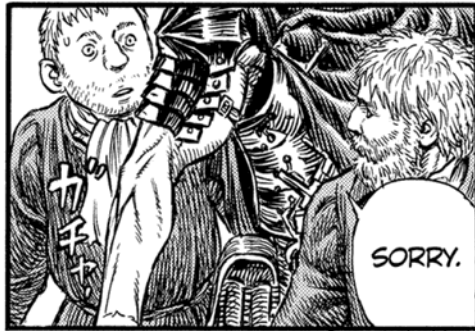
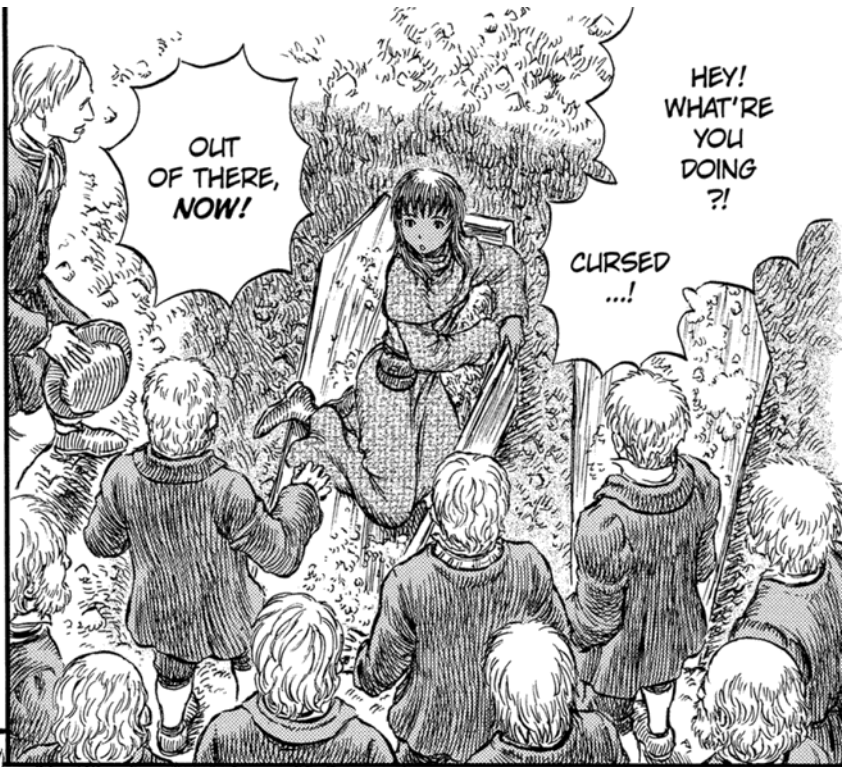
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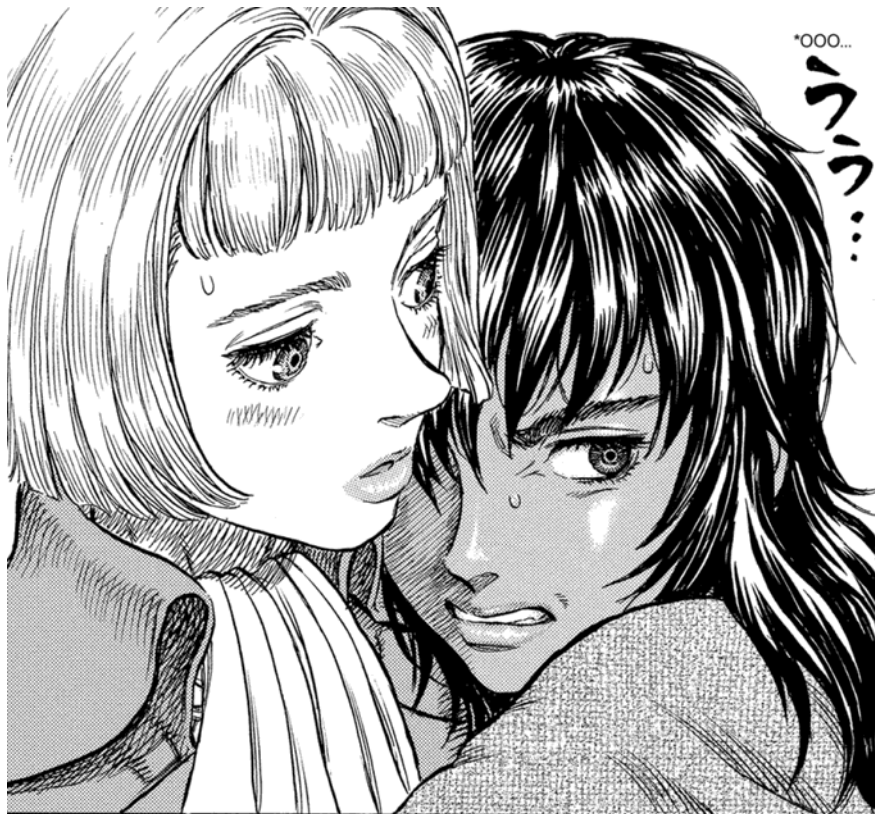


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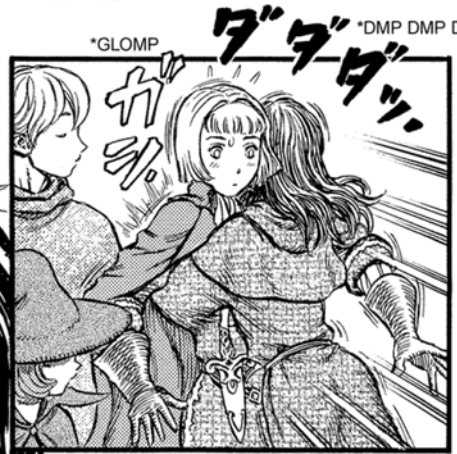
*OOO...

うう...



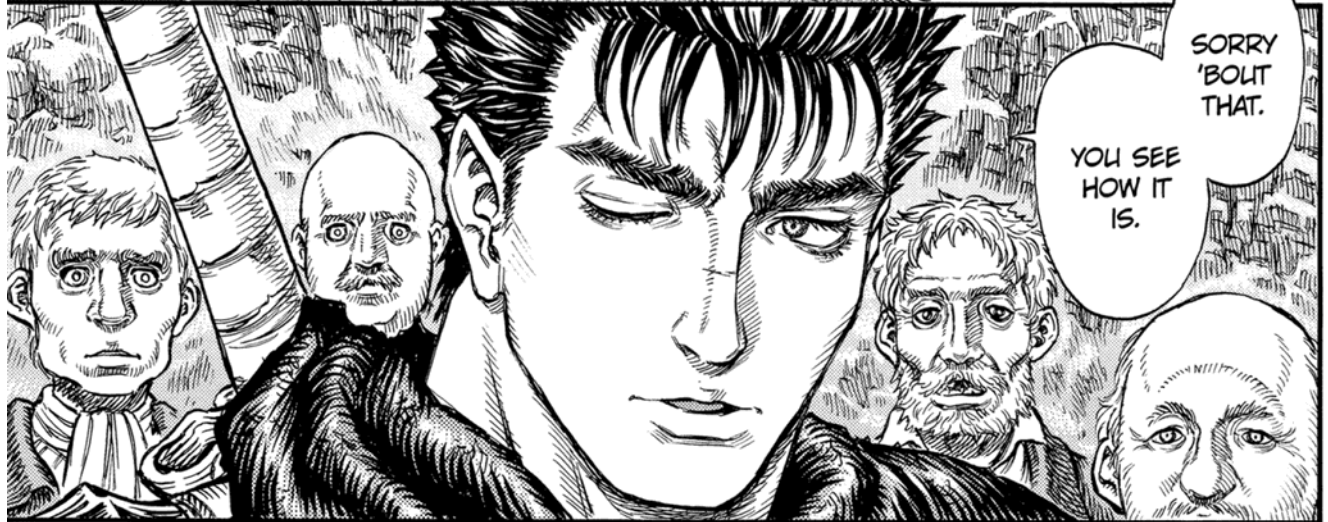
*TNNG

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*GLOMP

*DMP DMP DMP



SORRY 'BOUT THAT.

YOU SEE HOW IT IS.



THIS IS NO TIME FOR--

NAY!



SHE'S A PILGRIM, PRAYING TO REGAIN HER HEALTH.



COULD WE HAVE A PLACE TO STAY FOR THE NIGHT?

LONG JOURNEYS WITH THE SICK AND KIDS'RE REALLY TIRING.



...SHOW
CHARITY TO
PILGRIMS.

IT'S
CUSTOMARY
THAT THE
CHURCH
...



...FOR
WHAT
HAP-
PENS.

I'M NOT
RESPON-
SIBLE...



L...

LOOK
AT *THAT*
SWORD
!!

WE
OWE YOU
ONE.

A-
AMAZIN'
...!!

THAT
LEFT
ARM...

IS IT
REAL
...?

*HMPH

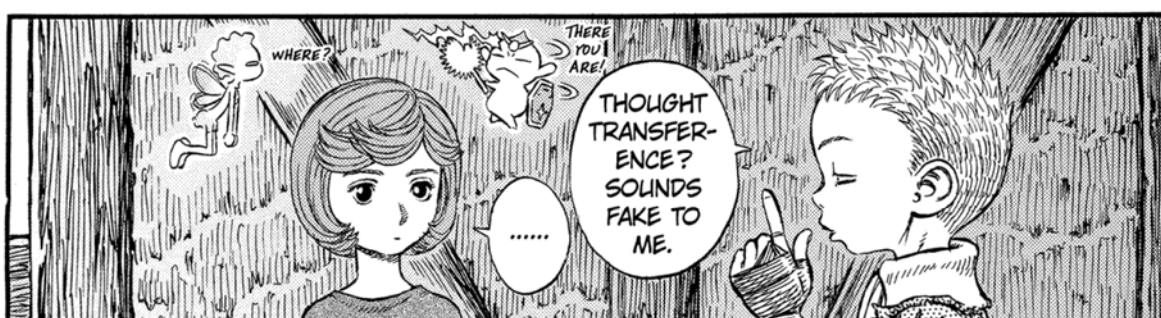
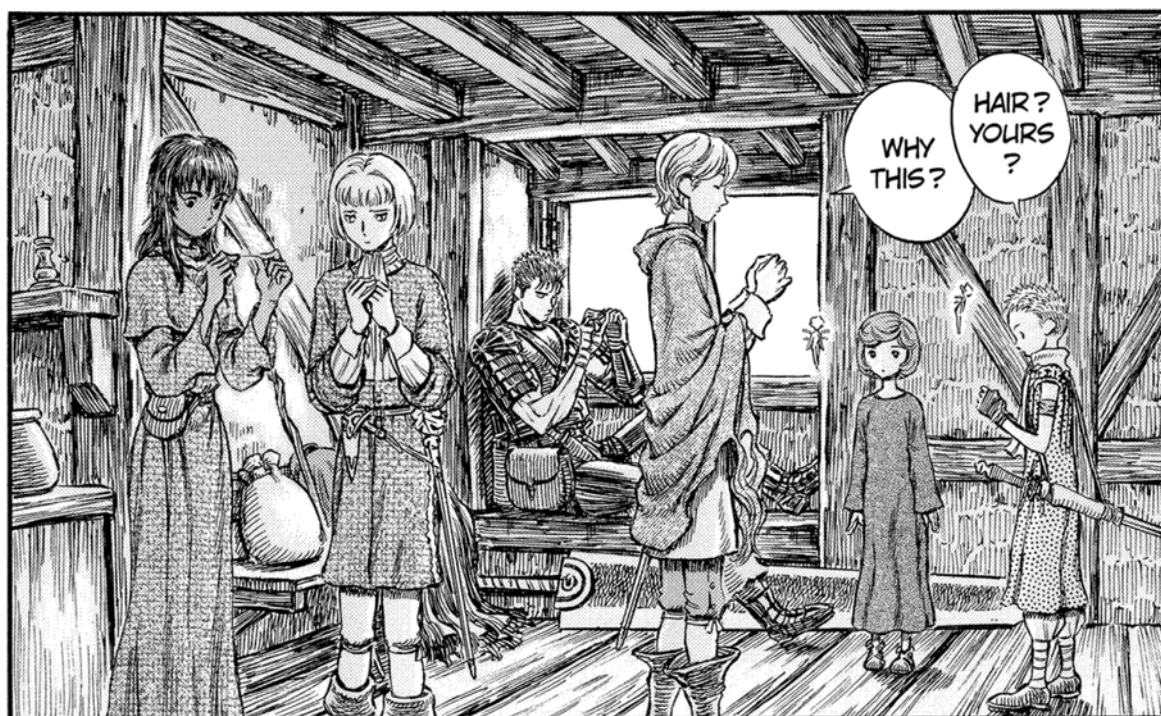


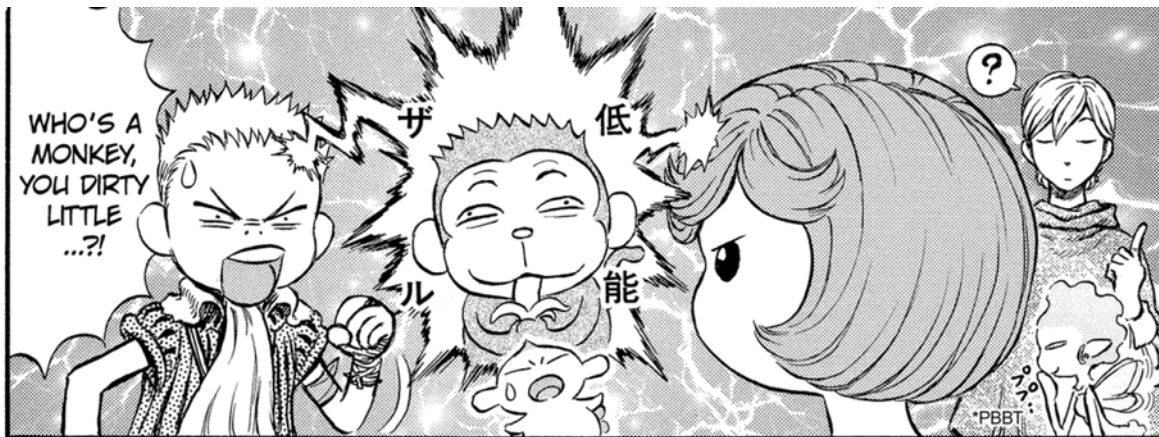
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AMBITION AND REFLECTION

野望と追憶

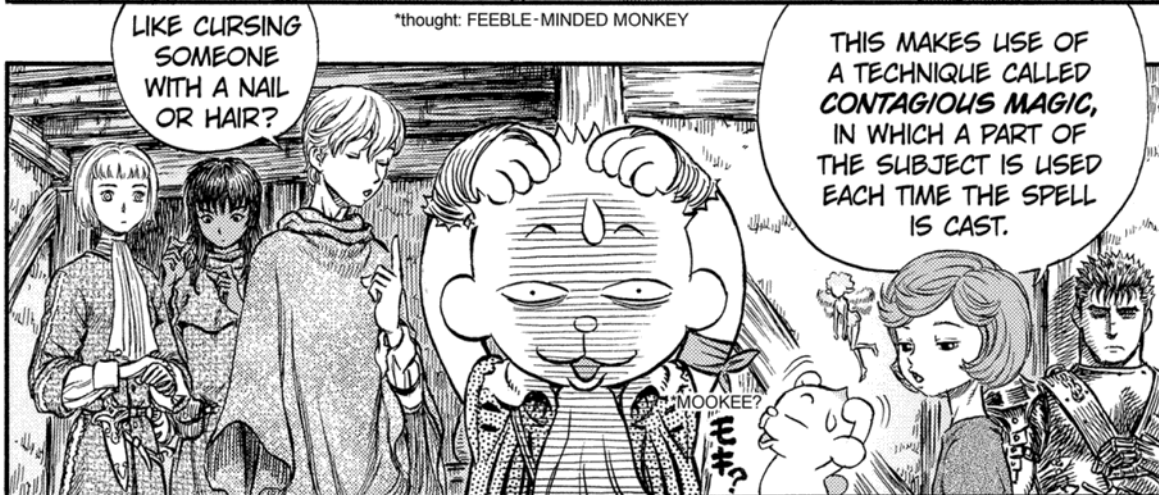
BERSERK





WHO'S A
MONKEY,
YOU DIRTY
LITTLE
...?!
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低
能
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*thought: FEEBLE-MINDED MONKEY



LIKE CURSING
SOMEONE
WITH A NAIL
OR HAIR?

THIS MAKES USE OF
A TECHNIQUE CALLED
CONTAGIOUS MAGIC,
IN WHICH A PART OF
THE SUBJECT IS USED
EACH TIME THE SPELL
IS CAST.

MOOKEE?
モキ?

FURTHER, FOR THOSE
WHO LACK TRAINING IN THE
CONCRETE VISUALIZATION OF
IMAGES, THOUGHTS, BEFORE
THEY ARE GIVEN FORM VIA
LETTERS AND WORDS, ARE
VAGUE AND INCONSTANT.



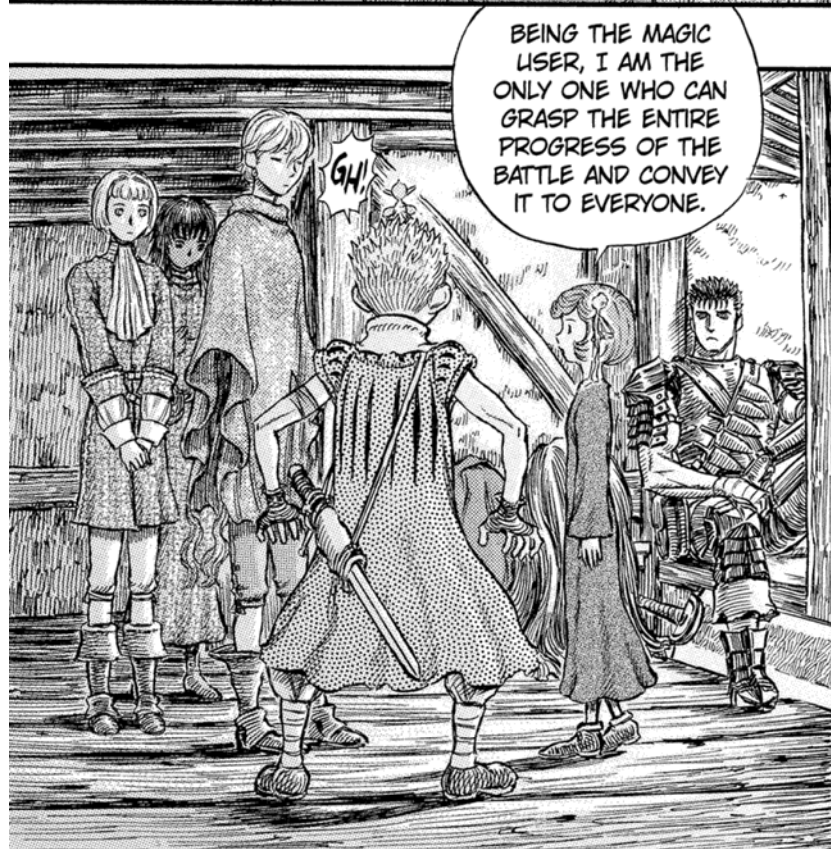
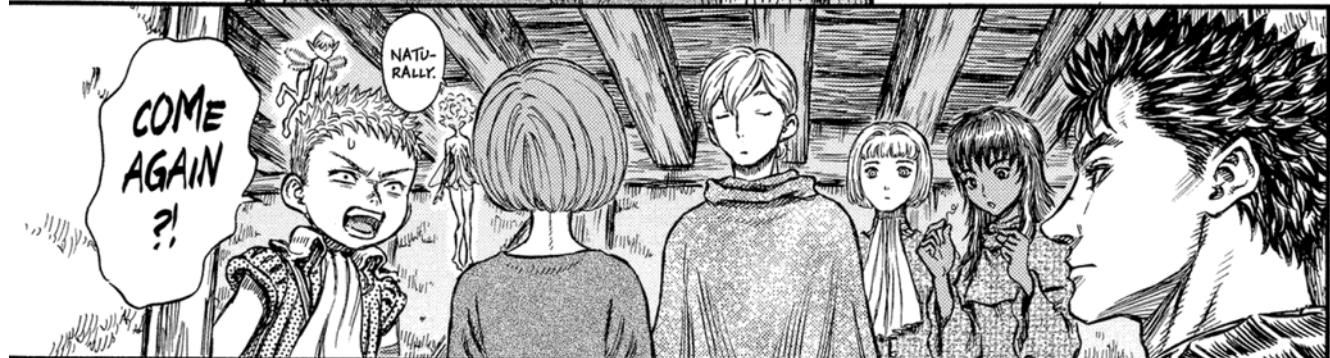
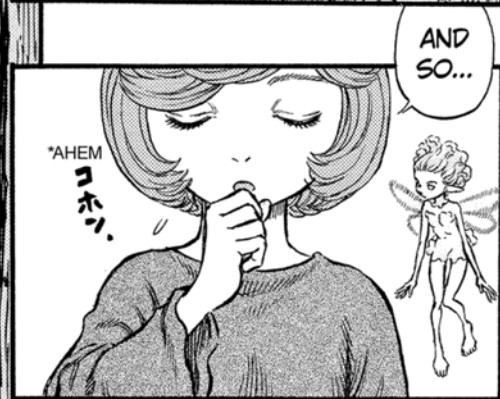
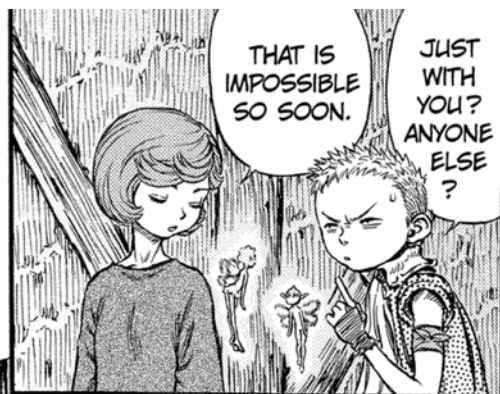
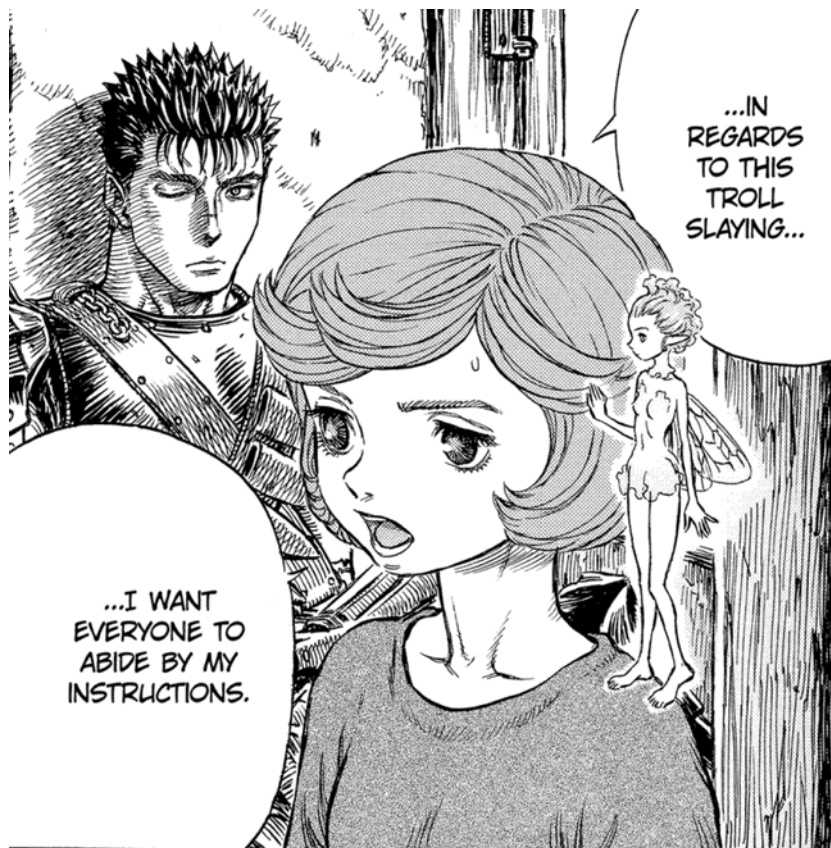
I CAN
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SOME-
TIMES.

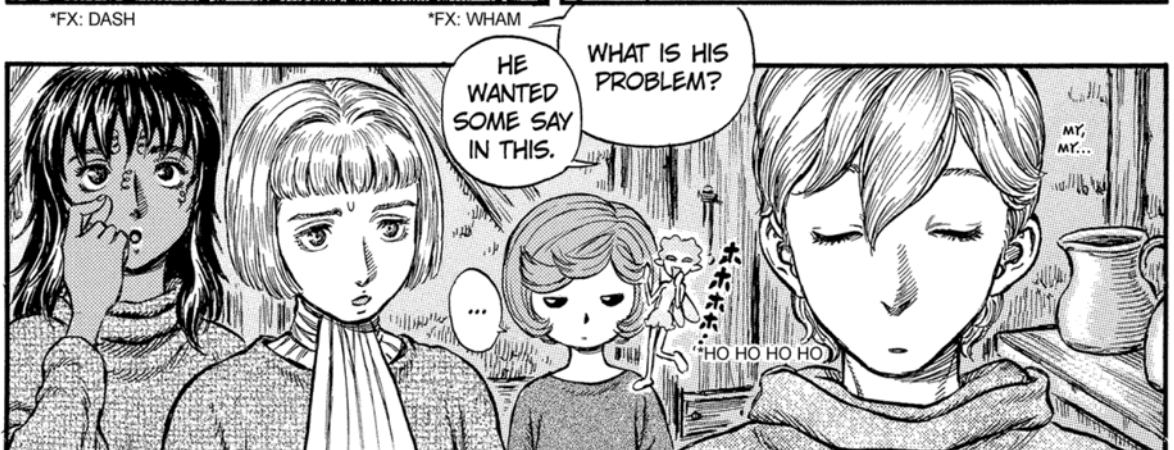
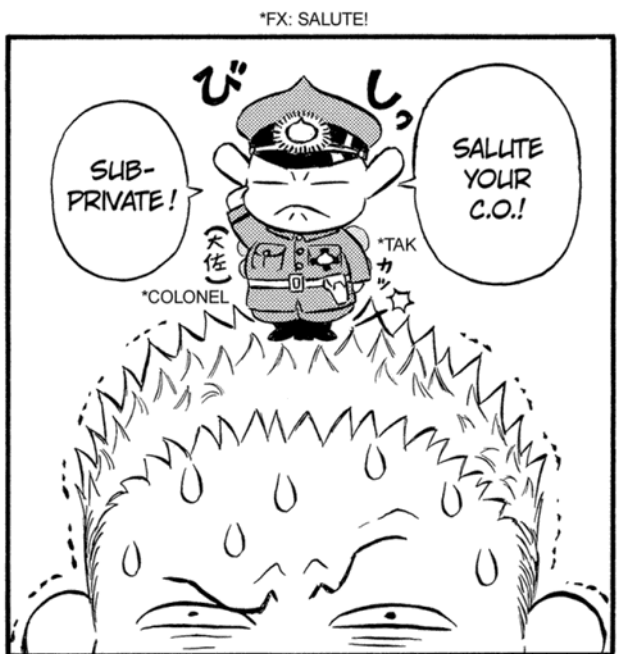
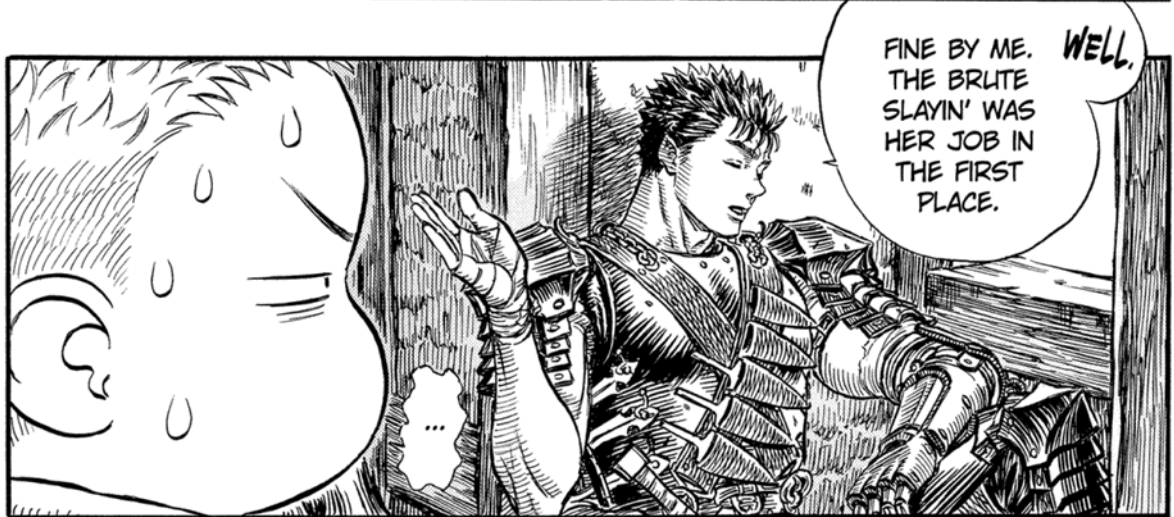
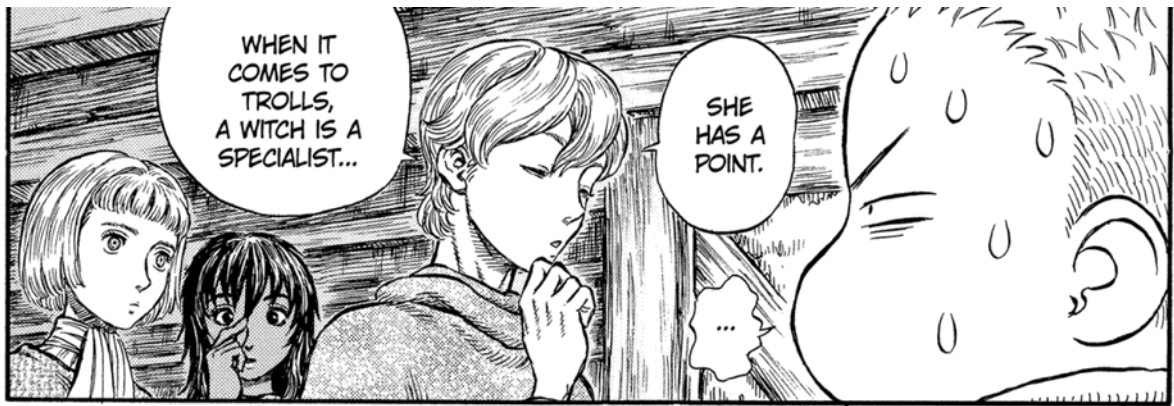
UNTIL YOU ARE ACCUSTOMED,
PLEASE SOUND OUT THE
WORDS DISTINCTLY IN YOUR
MIND. IF YOU MASTER
THOUGHT TRANSFERENCE,
THE COMMUNICATION OF
INTENT FAR BEYOND THAT
OF NORMAL CONVERSATION
BECOMES POSSIBLE.

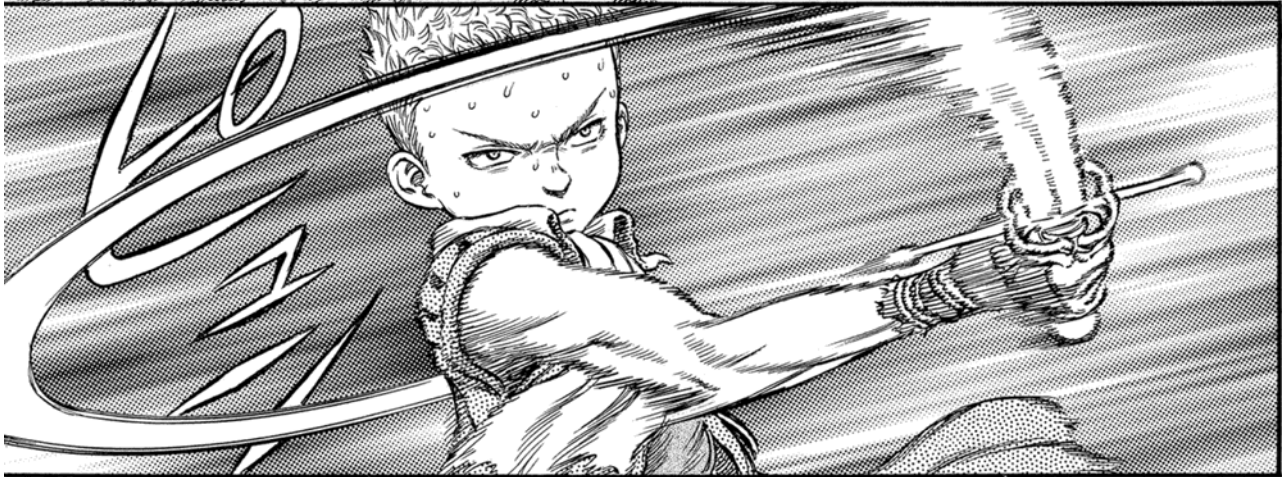
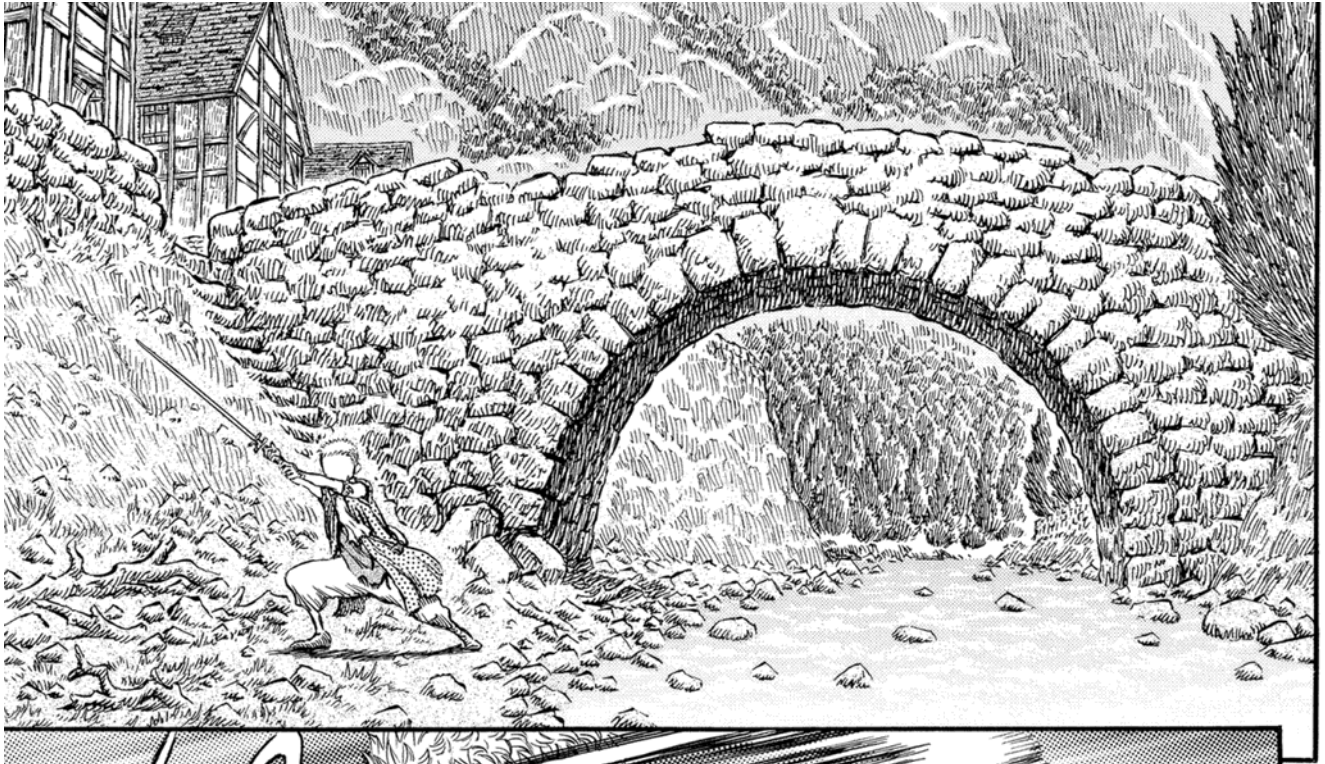
WITH
THOSE HAIRS
ATTACHED
TO YOU,
YOUR OD
FIELDS ARE
SUBCON-
SCIOUSLY
ADHERED
TO MINE.



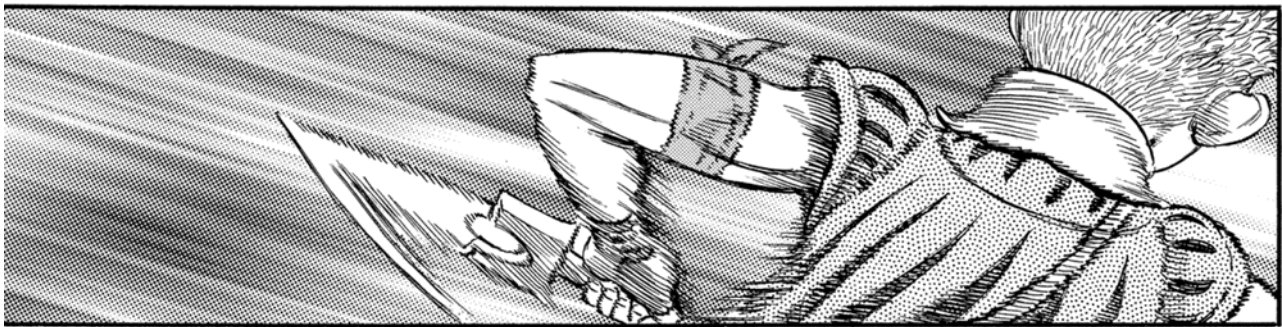
TO A CERTAIN
EXTENT,
EVERY HUMAN
IS CAPABLE OF
DIRECTLY
EXCHANGING
THOUGHTS.
JUST FOR THAT,
IT IS NECESSARY
TO CONNECT
THEIR OD...
THEIR SPIRITUAL
MAGNETISM.

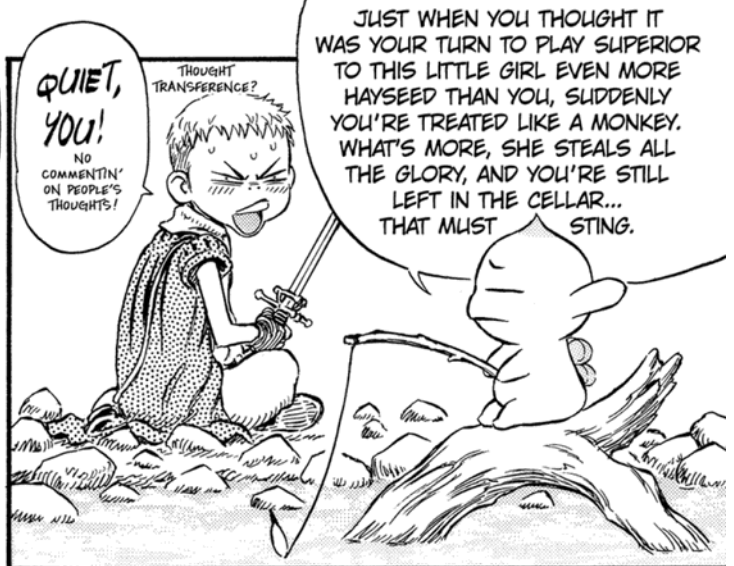
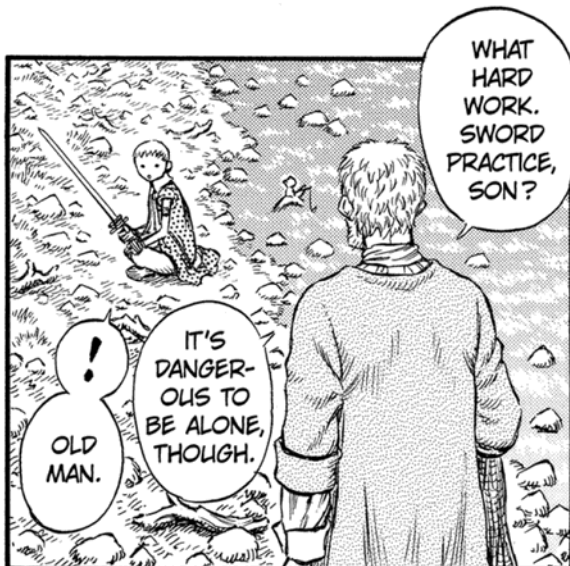
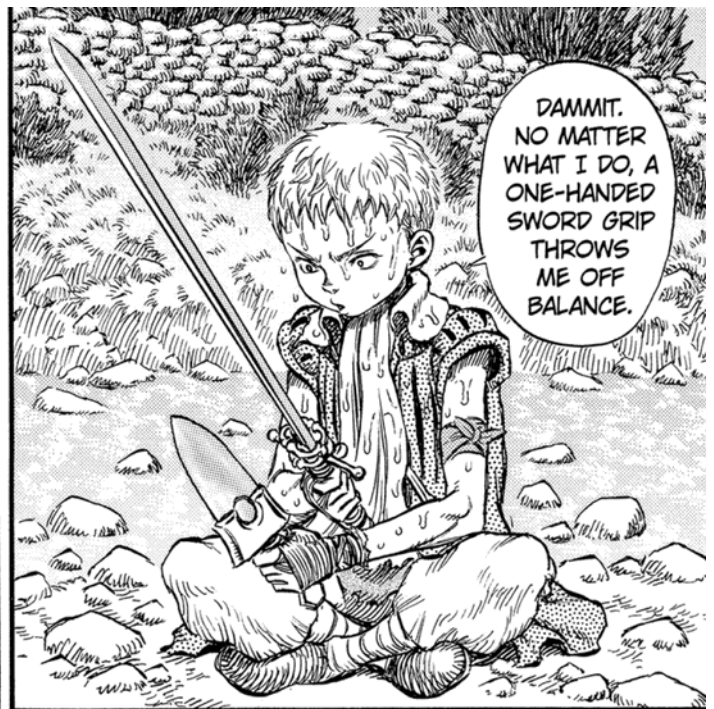
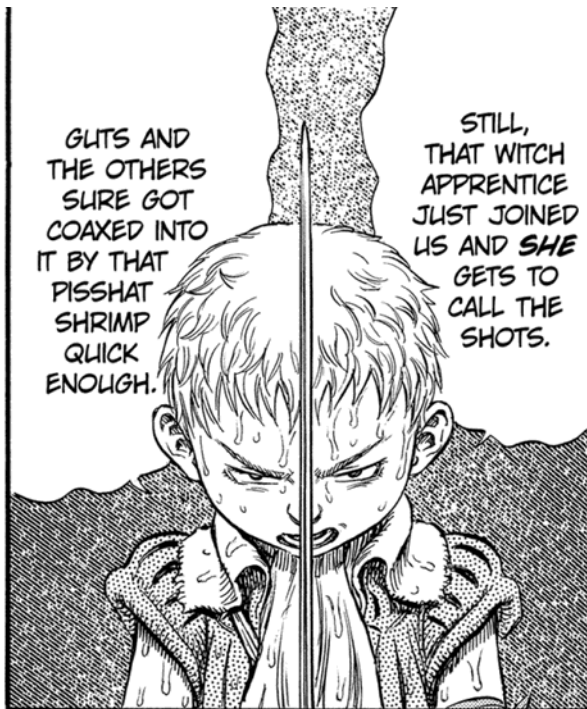


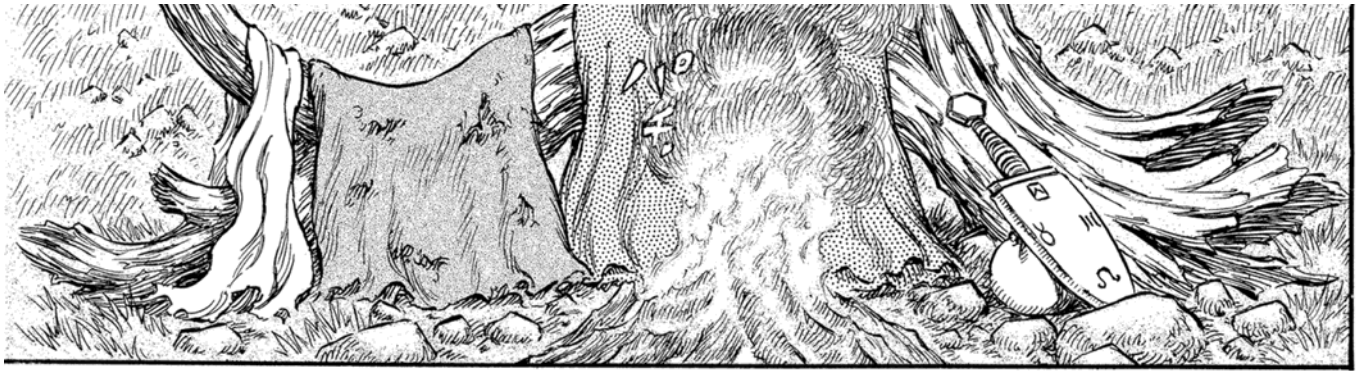




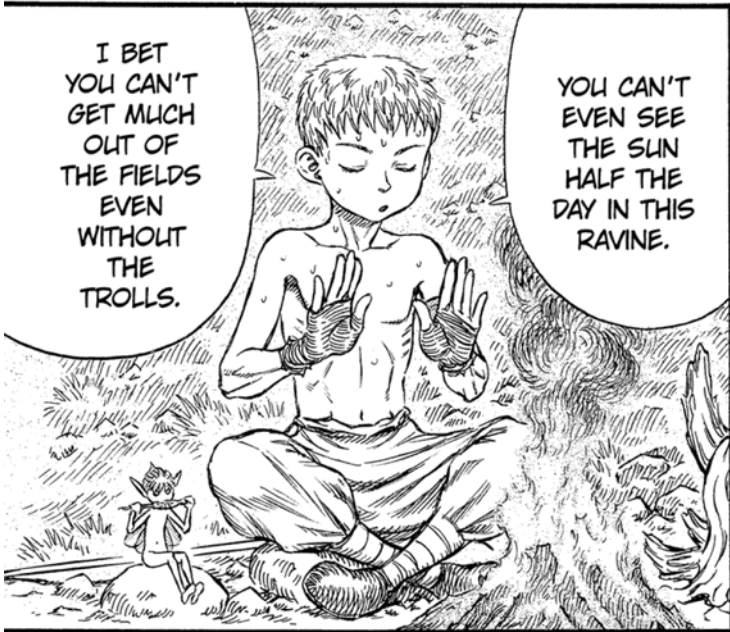
*FX: SHNN





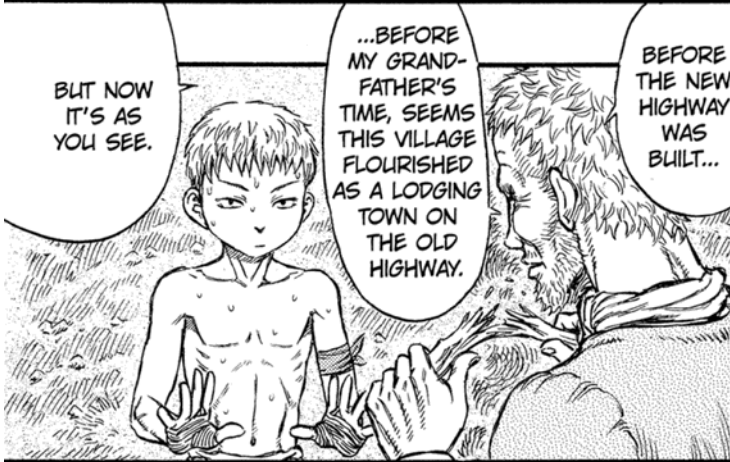


*FX: SNAP



I BET
YOU CAN'T
GET MUCH
OUT OF
THE FIELDS
EVEN
WITHOUT
THE
TROLLS.

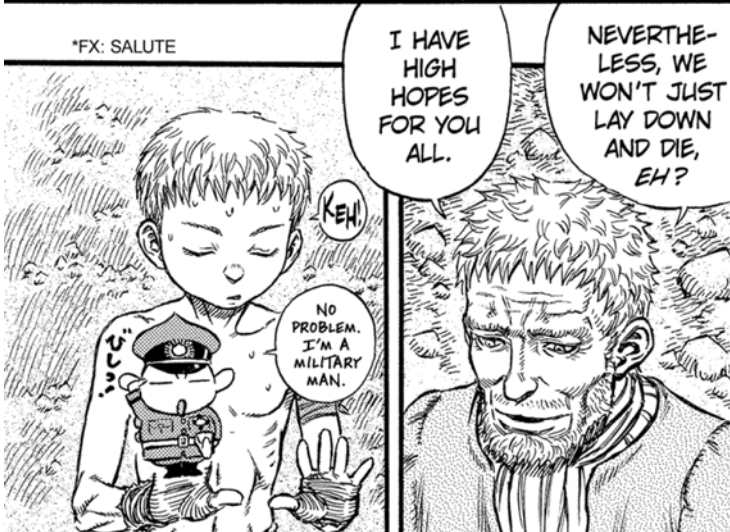
YOU CAN'T
EVEN SEE
THE SUN
HALF THE
DAY IN THIS
RAVINE.



BUT NOW
IT'S AS
YOU SEE.

...BEFORE
MY GRAND-
FATHER'S
TIME, SEEMS
THIS VILLAGE
FLOURISHED
AS A LODGING
TOWN ON
THE OLD
HIGHWAY.

BEFORE
THE NEW
HIGHWAY
WAS
BUILT...



*FX: SALUTE

I HAVE
HIGH
HOPES
FOR YOU
ALL.

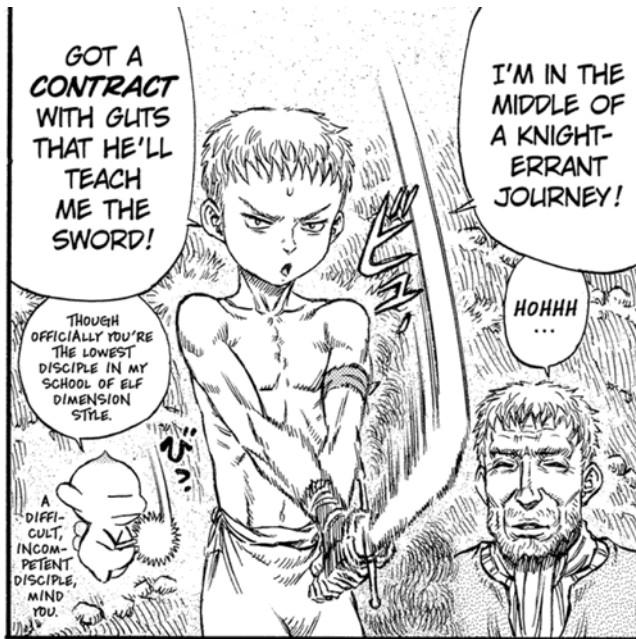
NEVERTHE-
LESS, WE
WON'T JUST
LAY DOWN
AND DIE,
EH?

KEH

NO
PROBLEM.
I'M A
MILITARY
MAN.



THIS SURE
IS ONE
SHABBY
VILLAGE,
THOUGH.



GOT A **CONTRACT** WITH GLITS THAT HE'LL TEACH ME THE SWORD!

I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF A KNIGHT-ERRANT JOURNEY!

THOUGH OFFICIALLY YOU'RE THE LOWEST DISCIPLE IN MY SCHOOL OF ELF DIMENSION STYLE.

A DIFFICULT, INCOMPETENT DISCIPLE, MIND YOU.

HOHHH ...

*FX: SWP

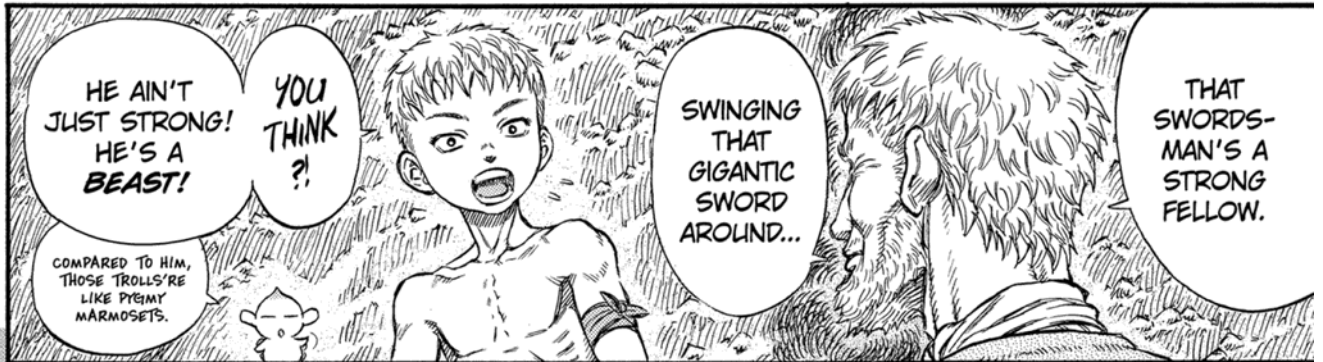
*FX: VYNN



N...
NO, I'M NOT!

ARE YOU A FOLLOWER OF THAT BLACK SWORDS-MAN?

WHY'RE YOU TRAVELING WITH THEM, SON?



HE AIN'T JUST STRONG! HE'S A **BEAST!**

YOU THINK ?!

SWINGING THAT GIGANTIC SWORD AROUND...

THAT SWORDS-MAN'S A STRONG FELLOW.

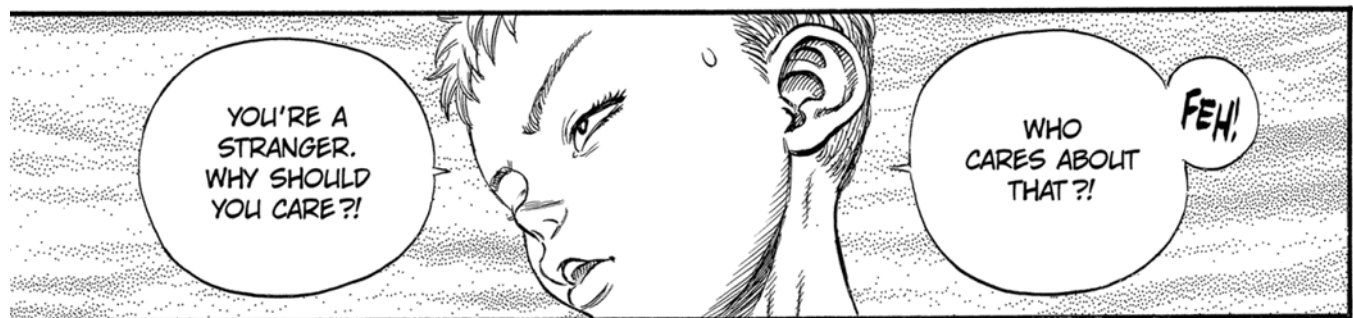
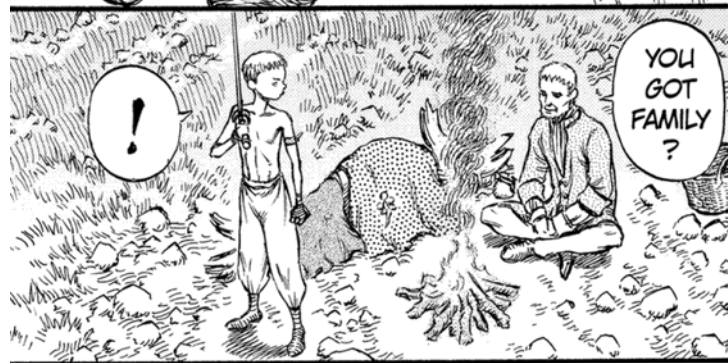
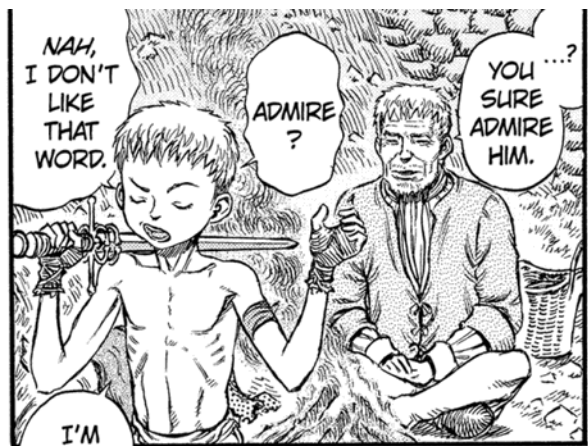
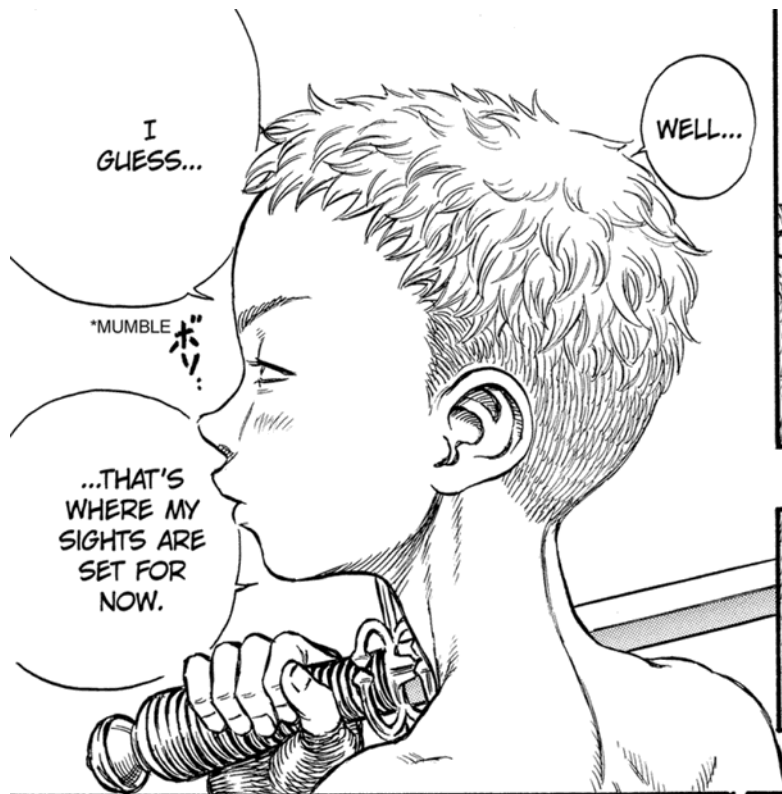
COMPARED TO HIM, THOSE TROLLS'RE LIKE PYGMY MARMOSETS.



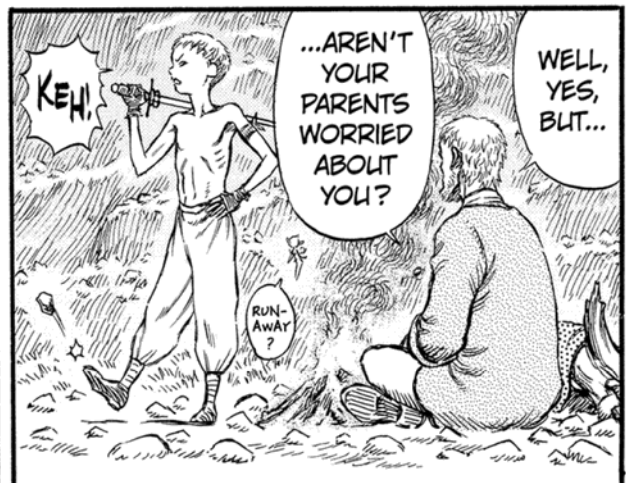
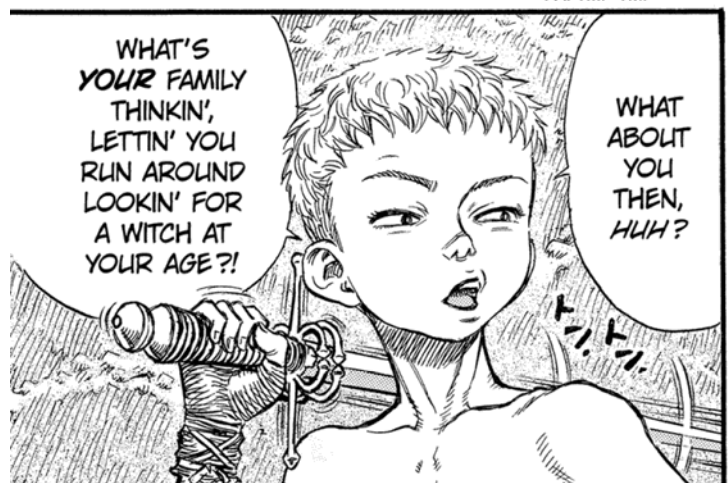
ACTUALLY, I CAN'T EVEN TELL **WHO'S** THE REAL BEAST.

EVEN NOW I GET CHILLS DOWN MY SPINE WHEN I WATCH HIM FIGHT UNDER THE MOON-LIGHT.

HE'S A MONSTER THAT **EATS** MONSTERS.

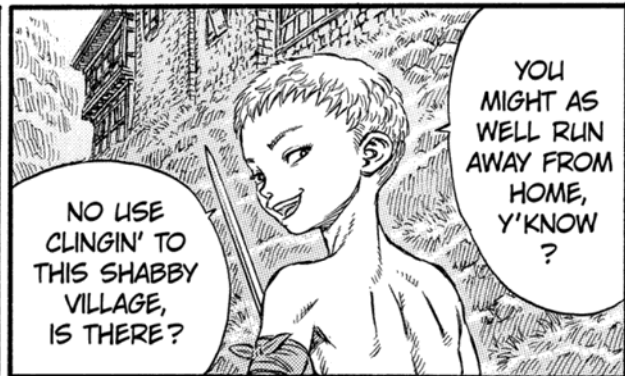


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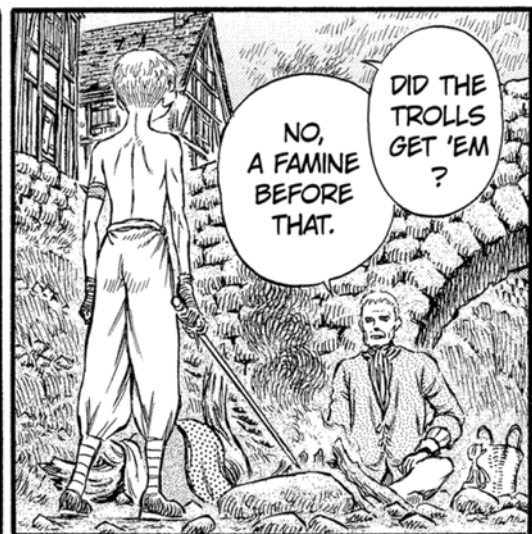


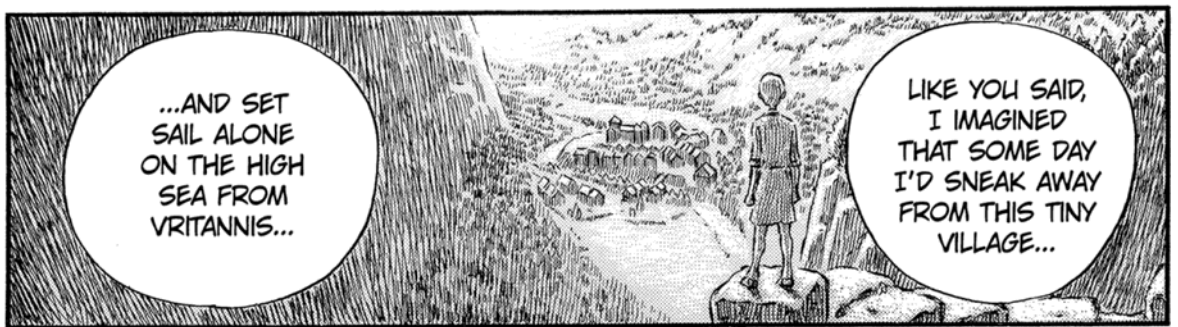
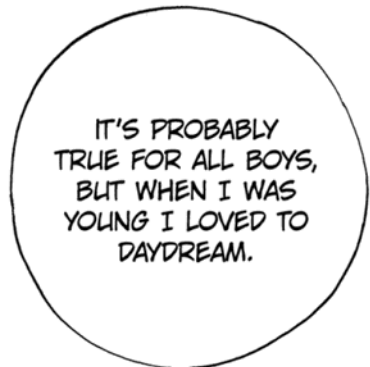
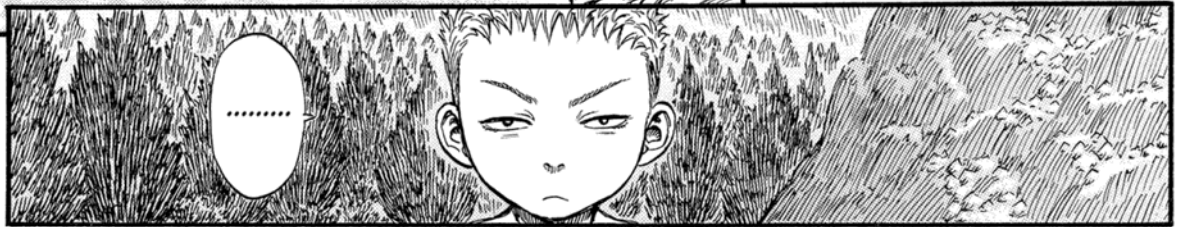


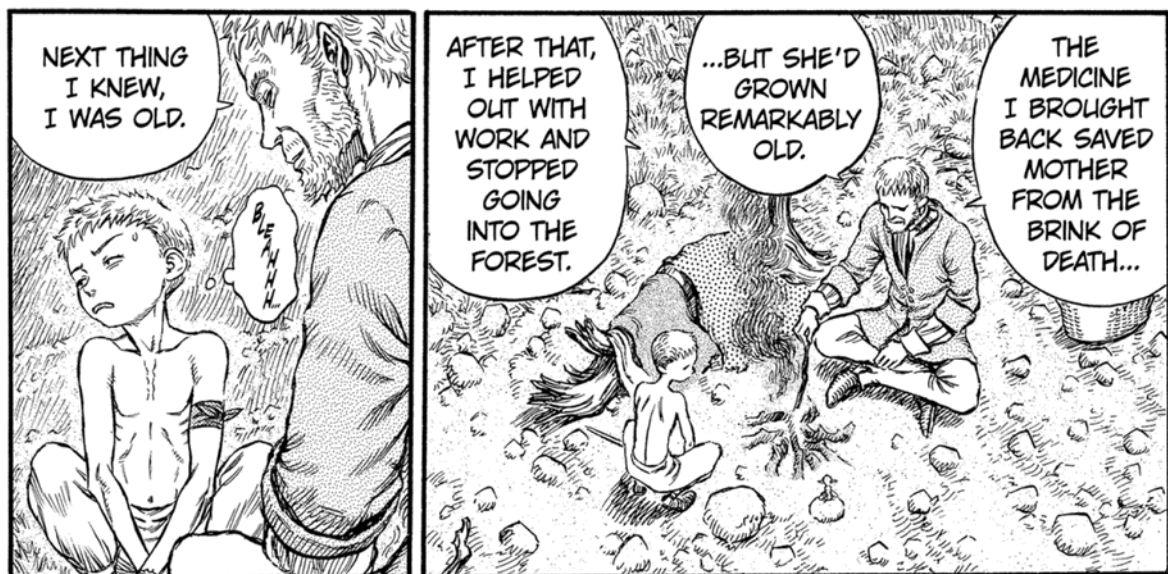
*FX: VNN VYNN



*FX: HEH HEH HEH









UNCHANGED,
AS SHE
USED TO
BE...

THAT
ALONE WAS
ENOUGH
FOR ME.

SHE
WAITED
FOR ME,
THOUGH.

DEEP
INSIDE THAT
FOREST...

A LONG
TIME'S PASSED,
AND AFTER SO
MUCH NORMAL
LIVING, MY
MEMORY'S
GROWN VAGUE.

BUT IT ALWAYS
STAYED STUCK
IN MY HEART.

THE ONE
ADVENTURE
I HAD.

WHETHER OR
NOT IT REALLY
HAPPENED...

*FX: LUNGE



DON'T TALK
ABOUT THE
GOOD OL'
DEPRESSIN'
DAYS !!

NOW'S
A TIME
FOR THE
YOUNG
!!

GOOD
GRIEF,
KIDS THESE
DAYS.



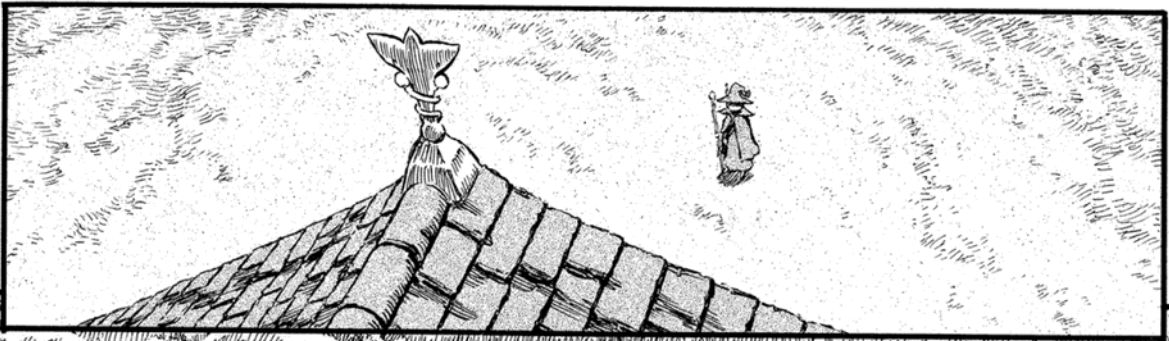
ENOUGH
WITH THE
CRAPPY
STORY !!



DON'T LUMP
YOURSELF
WITH ME
WHEN I'M
CARRYIN'
OUT MY
GOALS !!

YOU GREW
ANCIENT IN THIS
RUSTIC LITTLE
VILLAGE HOLDIN'
ON TO YOUR
PRETTY LITTLE
DREAM !!

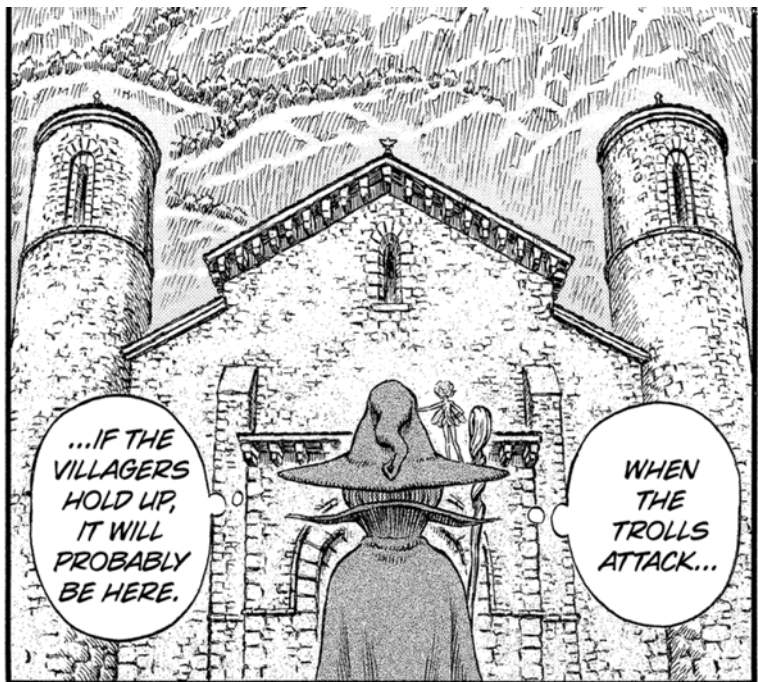






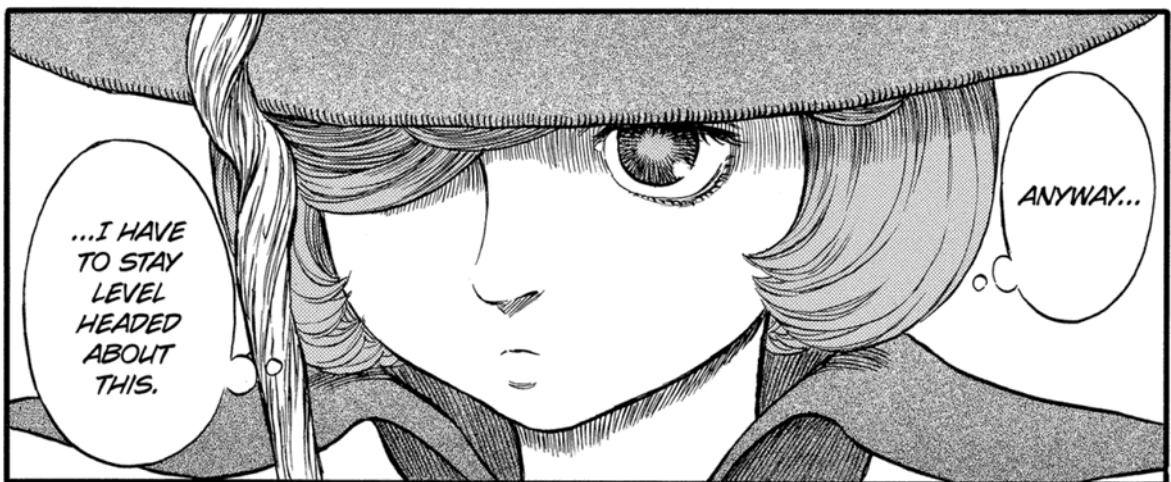
THIS IS
THE ONLY
PLACE TO
SET UP.

SO
YEAH...



...IF THE
VILLAGERS
HOLD UP,
IT WILL
PROBABLY
BE HERE.

WHEN
THE
TROLLS
ATTACK...



...I HAVE
TO STAY
LEVEL
HEADED
ABOUT
THIS.

ANYWAY...



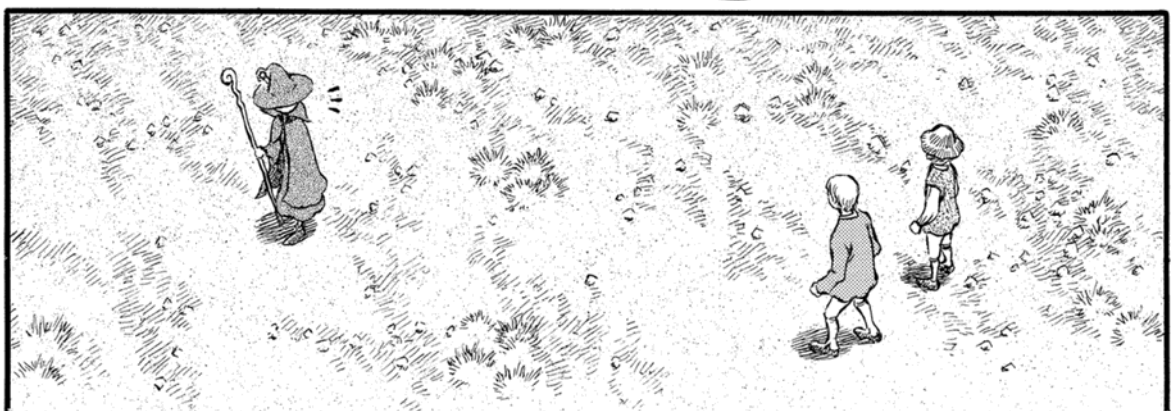
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*BSMP

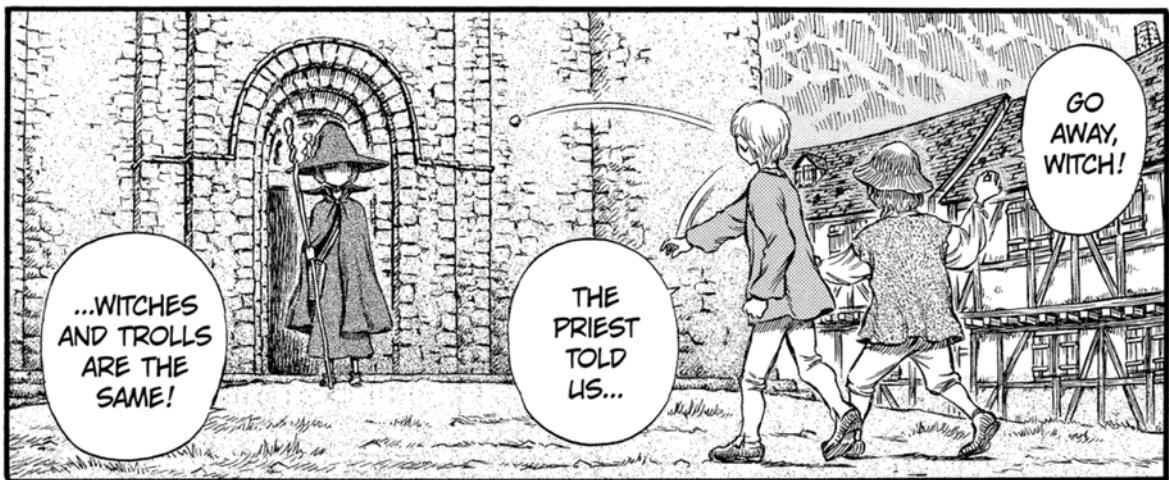
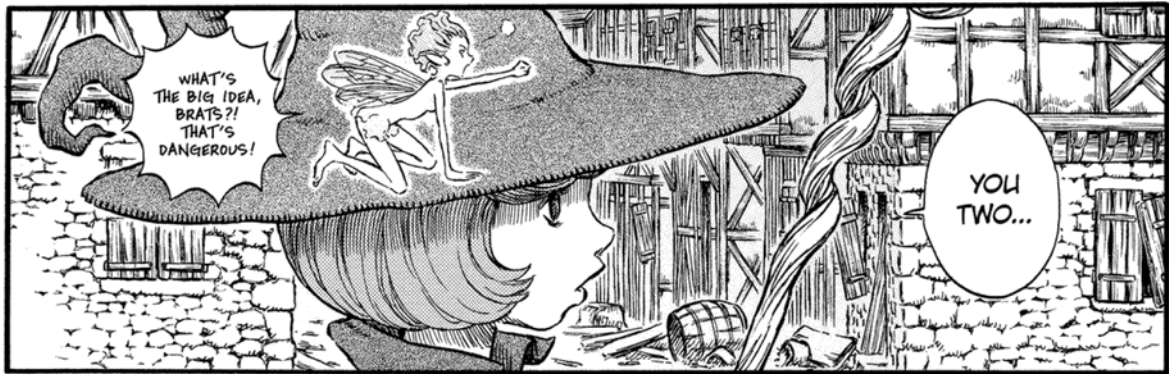
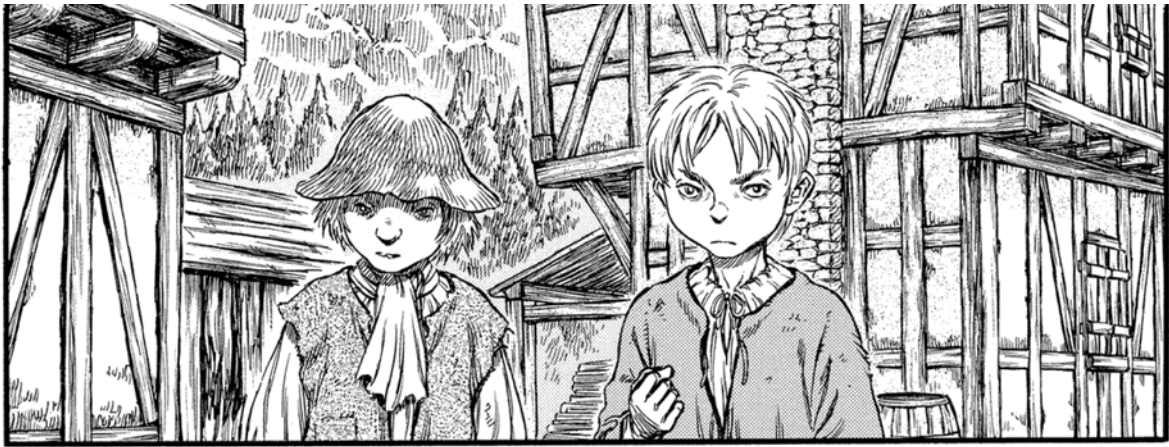


BUT...

...THE
CHURCH
WAS
BUILT...

...THIS
PLACE
WHERE
...





*FX: GCHAK



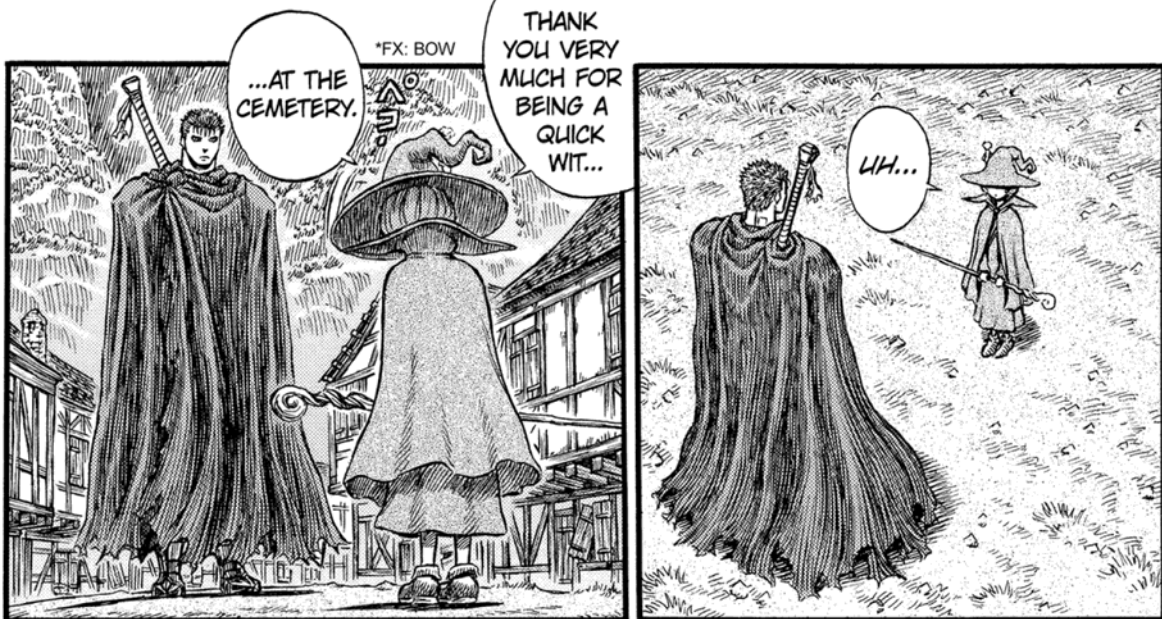




...NO WORSE THAN AN ARMY. THEY DIDN'T RAZE THE PLACE.

WELL ...

THE WHOLE PLACE'S BEEN RANSACKED GOOD.



...AT THE CEMETERY.

*FX: BOW

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BEING A QUICK WIT...

UH...

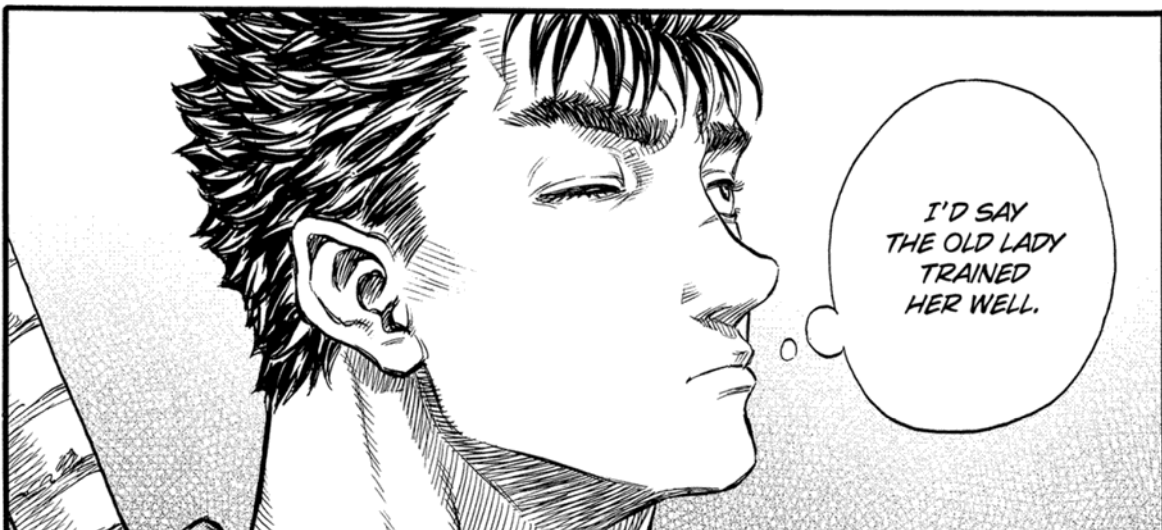


...I THINK LYING SO CASUALLY TO GET INTO...

...THE VILLAGE COULD COME BACK TO HAUNT US.

HOWEVER ...

SHE'S SO HONEST.



I'D SAY THE OLD LADY TRAINED HER WELL.



NOT
JUST TO
THAT
PRIEST.

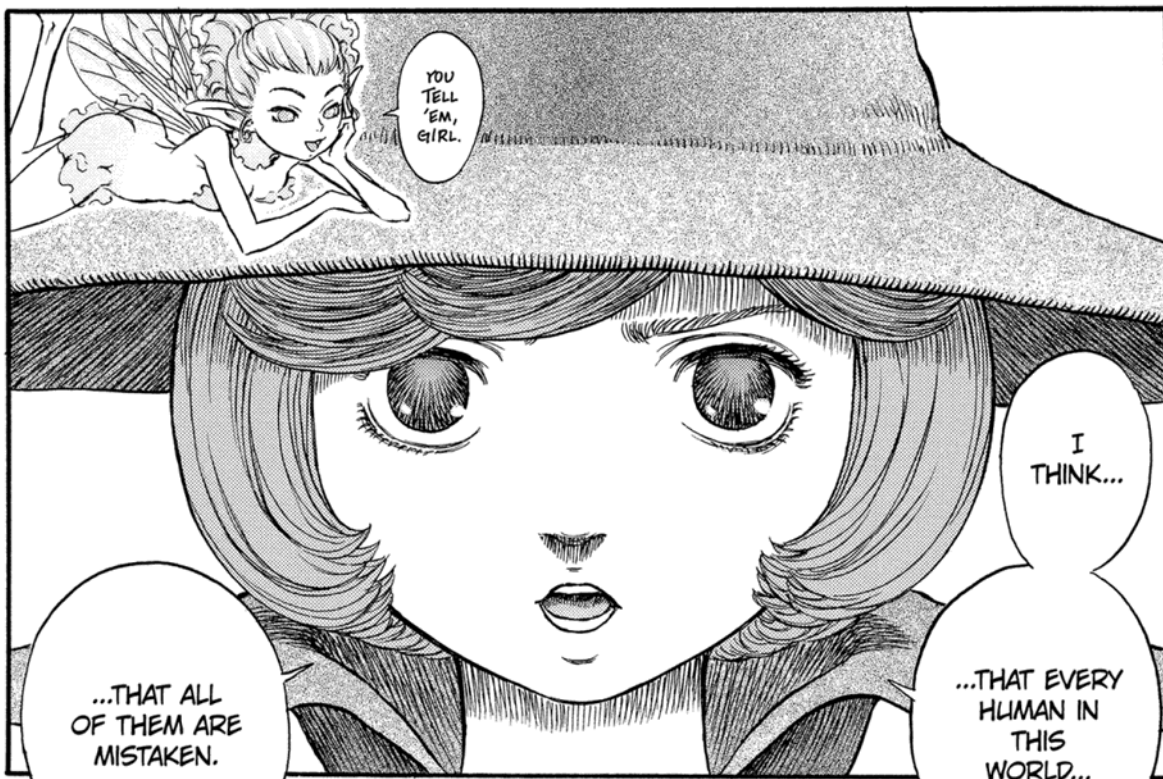
.....



WASN'T
THERE
SOMETHIN'
YOU WANTED
TO SAY
TO THAT
PRIEST?

THAT
SLANT-EYED
DUDE'S
NASTY!

BACK
THERE...

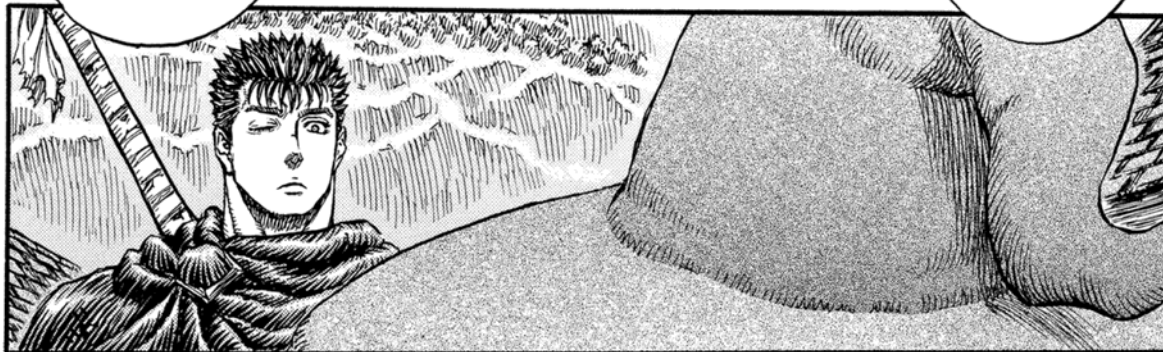


YOU
TELL
'EM,
GIRL.

I
THINK...

...THAT ALL
OF THEM ARE
MISTAKEN.

...THAT EVERY
HUMAN IN
THIS
WORLD...





...A SHRINE
TO THE
SPIRITS
OF THIS
LAND.

IT USED
TO BE...

THIS
HILL UPON
WHICH THIS
CHURCH IS
BUILT...



...THE SACRED
PLACES OF THE
SPIRIT FAITH
WHERE THEY
WERE BUILT.

MANY
OF THE
HOLY SEE'S
CHURCHES
ARE THAT
WAY...
LITERALLY
CRUSHING...



...IS NOTHING
MORE THAN A
TOOL BY WHICH
TO DISPLAY ITS
OWN
POLITICAL POWER.

THE CURRENT
DOCTRINE OF
THE HOLY
SEE...



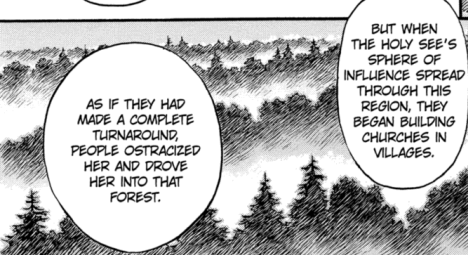
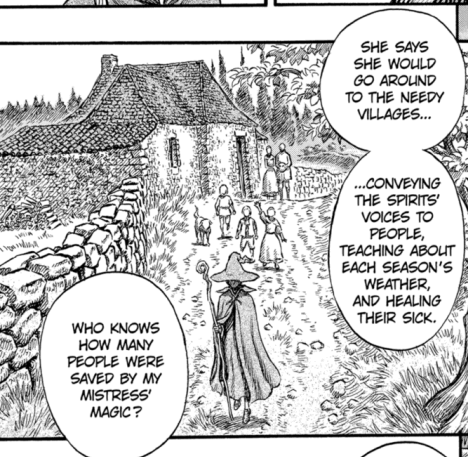
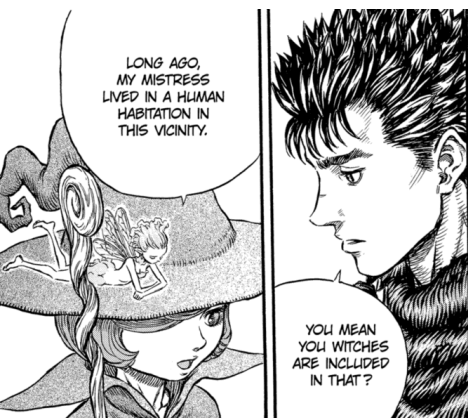
PEOPLE
INVOKE THE
NAME OF GOD
WHEN GOING
TO WAR.

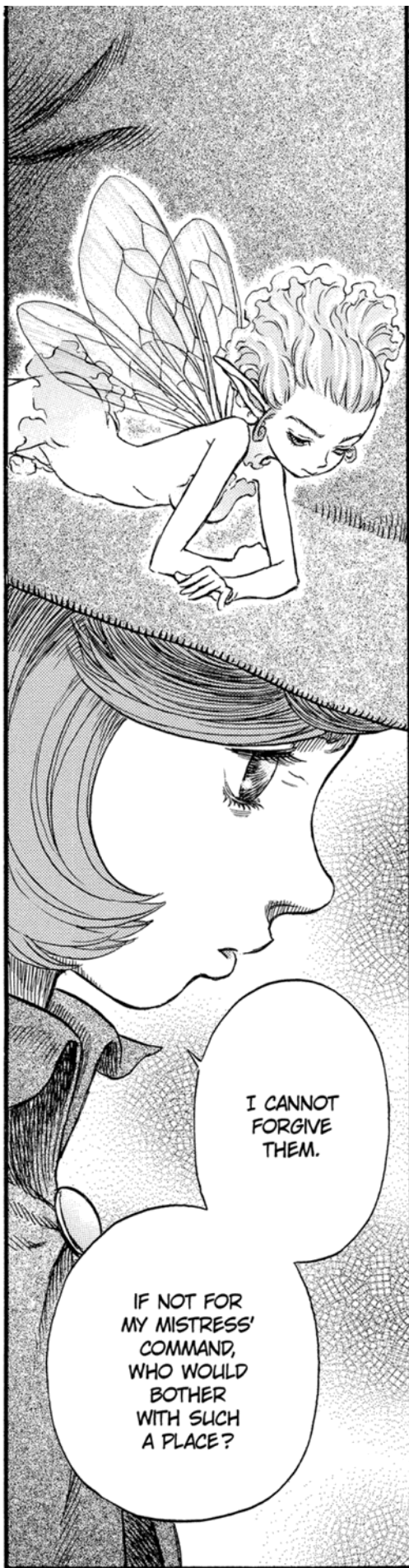
THEY INVOKE
THE NAME OF
GOD WHEN
SEEKING
SALVATION.

OVER
AND OVER,
NEVER
TIRING.

**FALCON OF THE
MILLENNIUM EMPIRE / ARC
THE HOLY EVIL WAR CHAPTER**

TROLL RAID
トロニール
獣鬼襲来





I CANNOT
FORGIVE
THEM.

IF NOT FOR
MY MISTRESS'
COMMAND,
WHO WOULD
BOTHR
WITH SUCH
A PLACE?



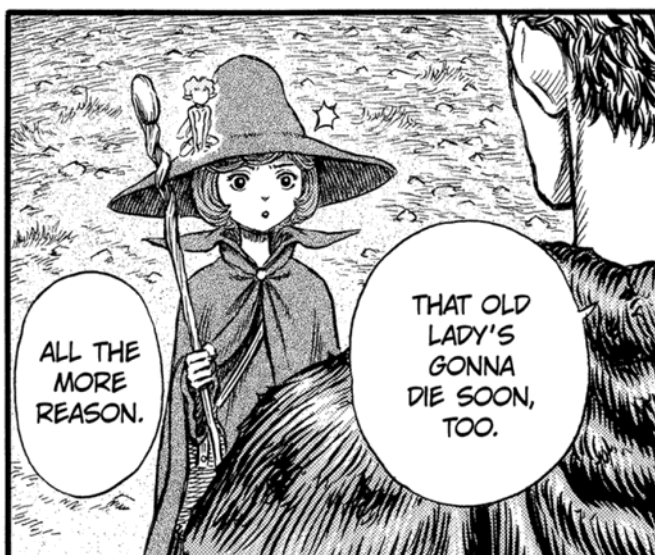
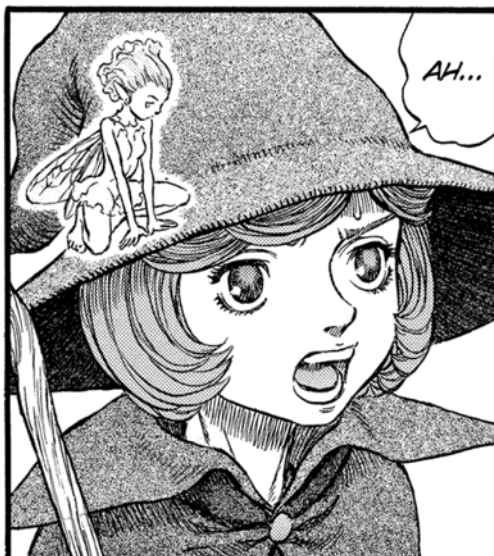
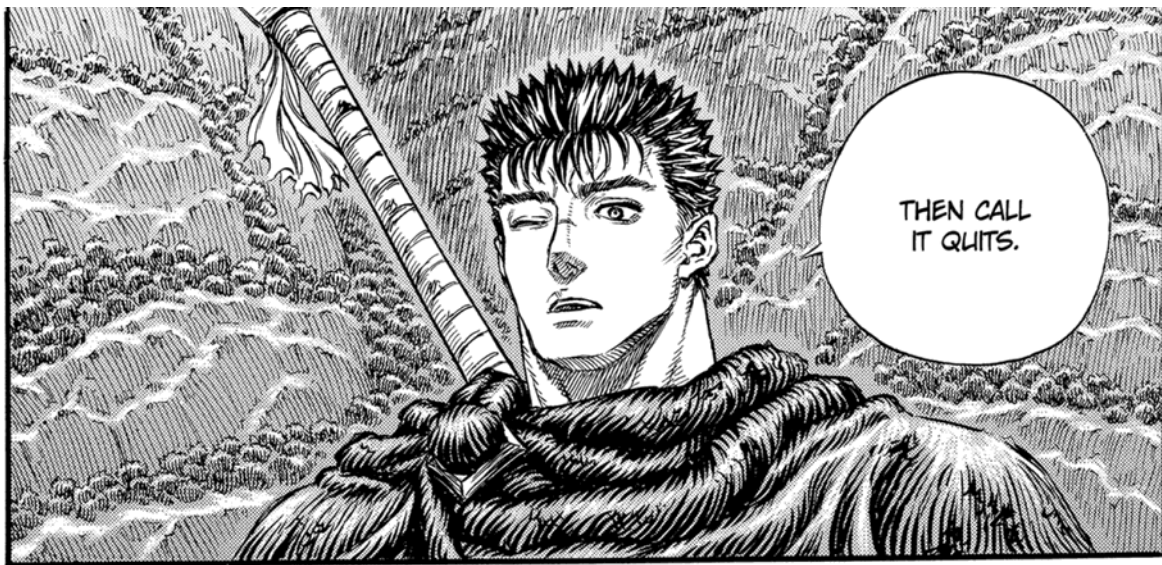
AND
NOW...

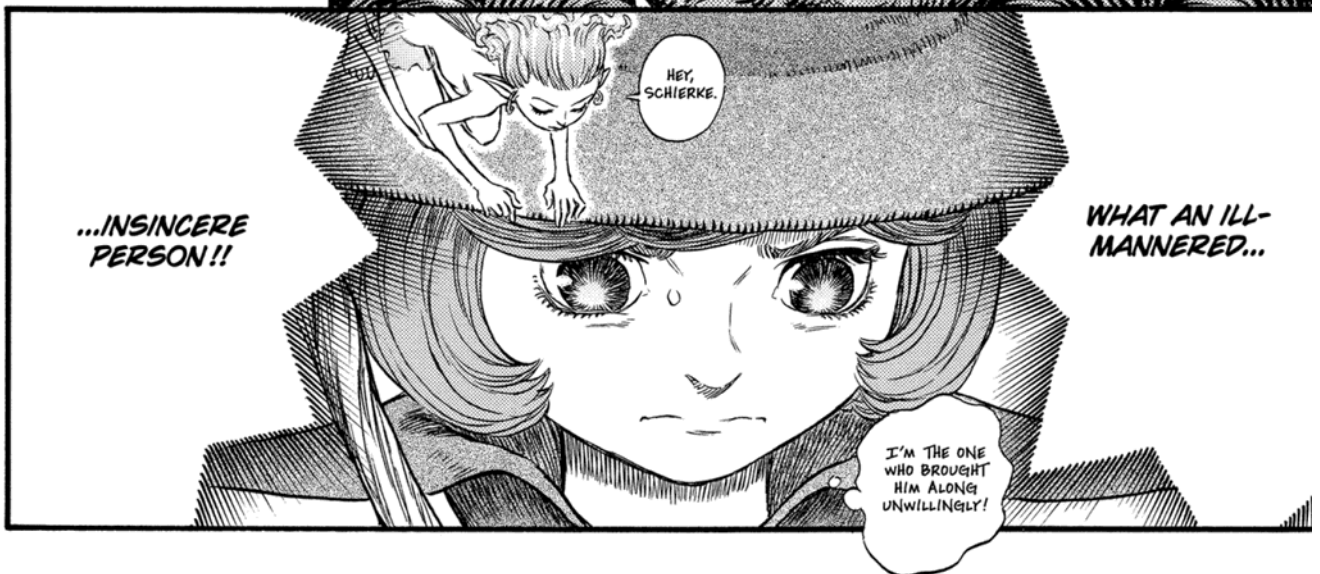
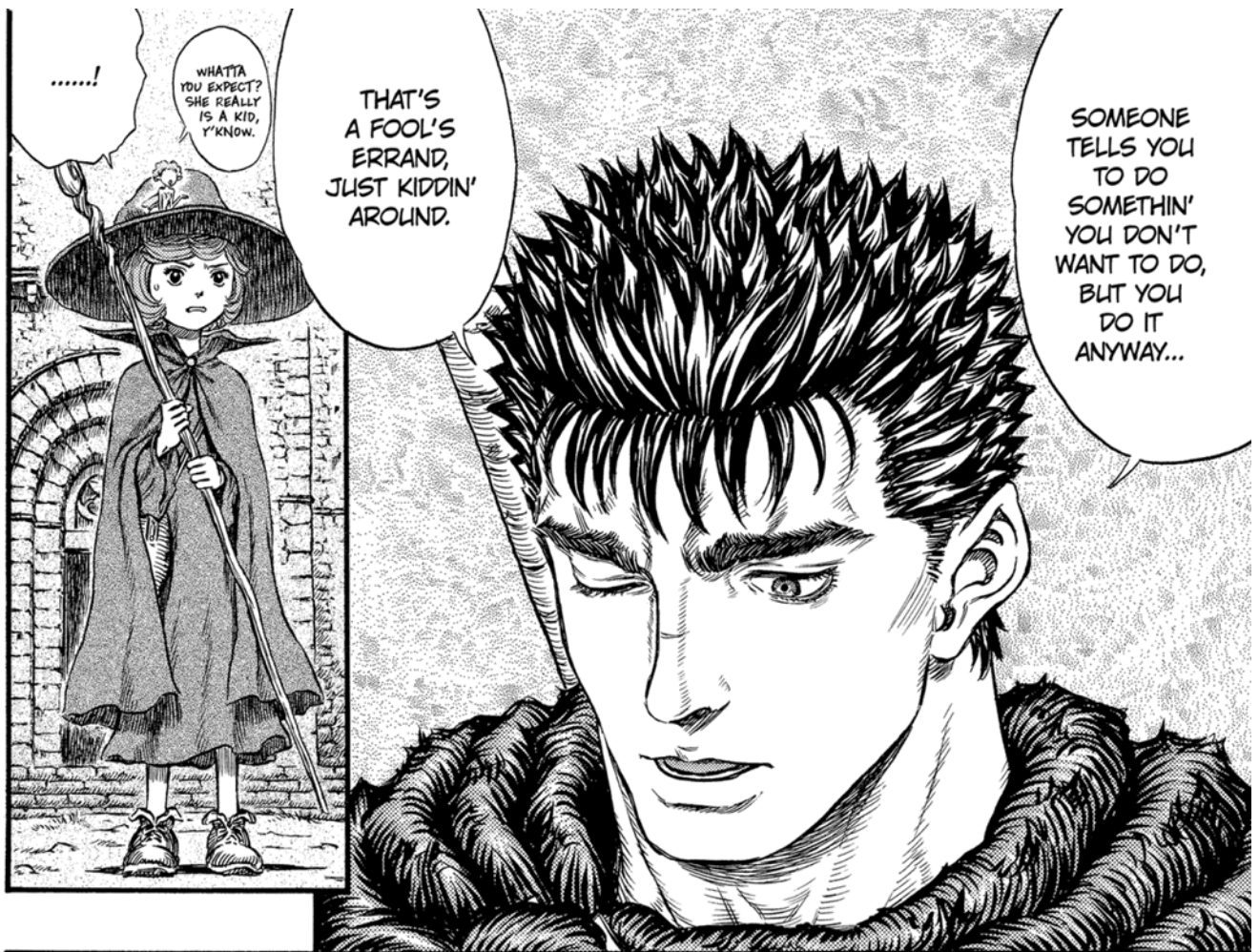
...ALMOST
AS IF
NOTHING
HAPPENED...

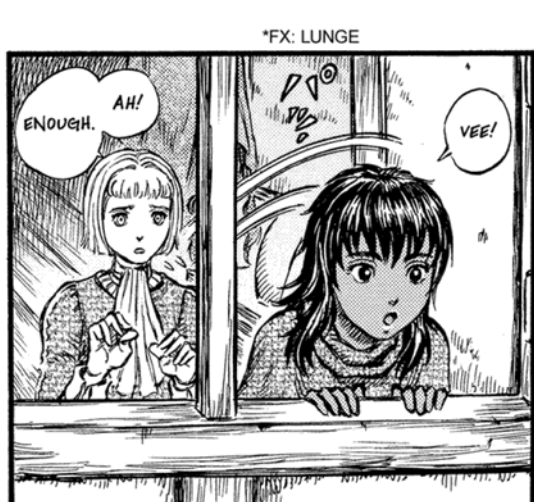
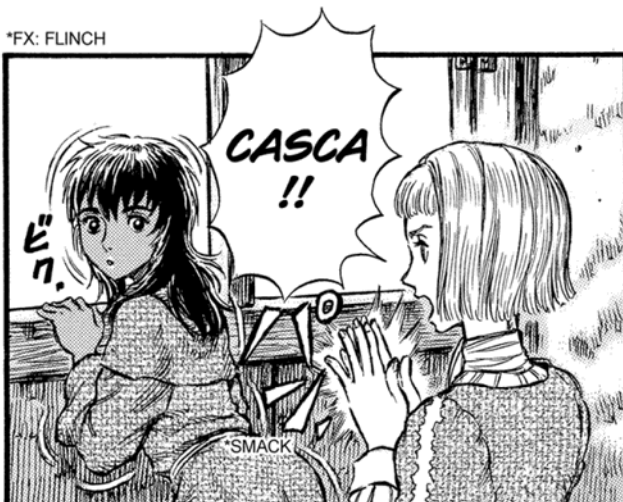
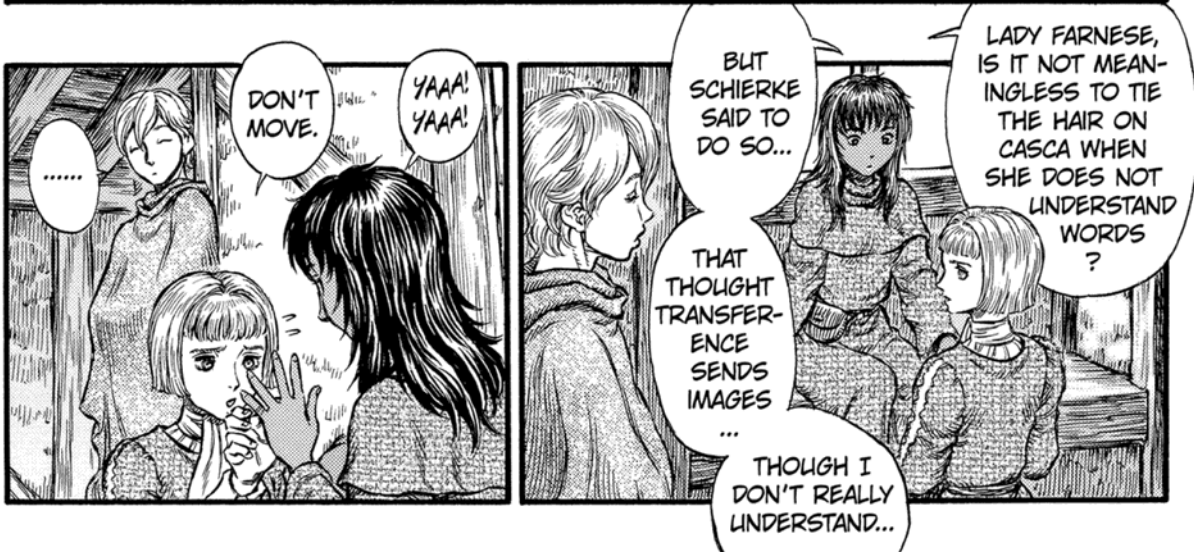
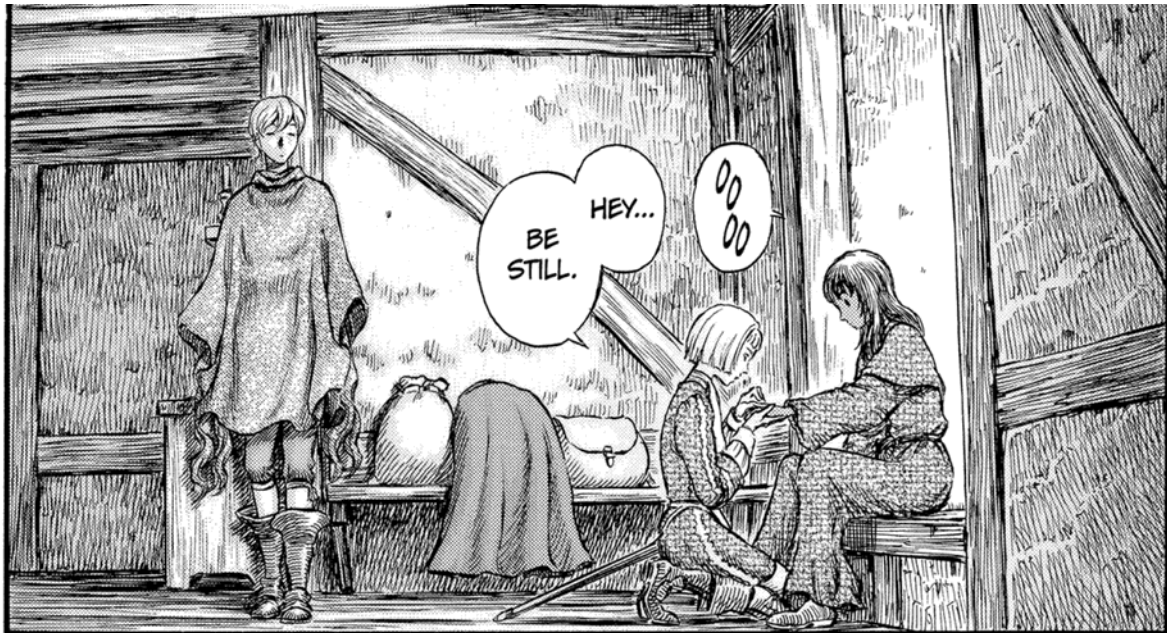


SINCE
THEN MY
MISTRESS
HAS LIVED
THERE...

...AS IF
AVOIDING
PEOPLE'S
EYES AND
HIDING.









IT'S ONE
THING I
COULDN'T
DO...

BUT SHE
HAS CHANGED.

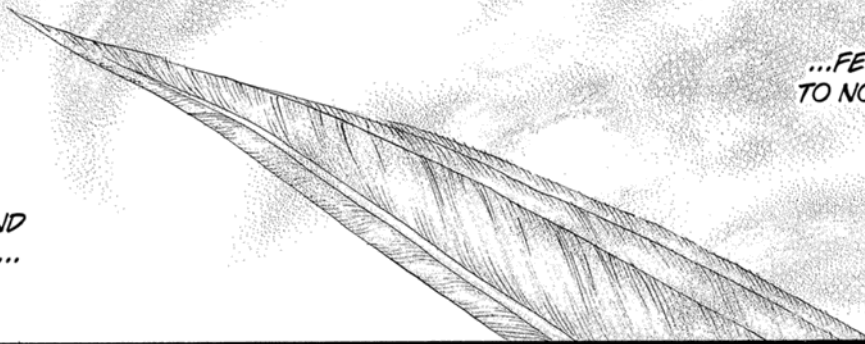




SPIRITS OF
WIND...



*FX: BTAM



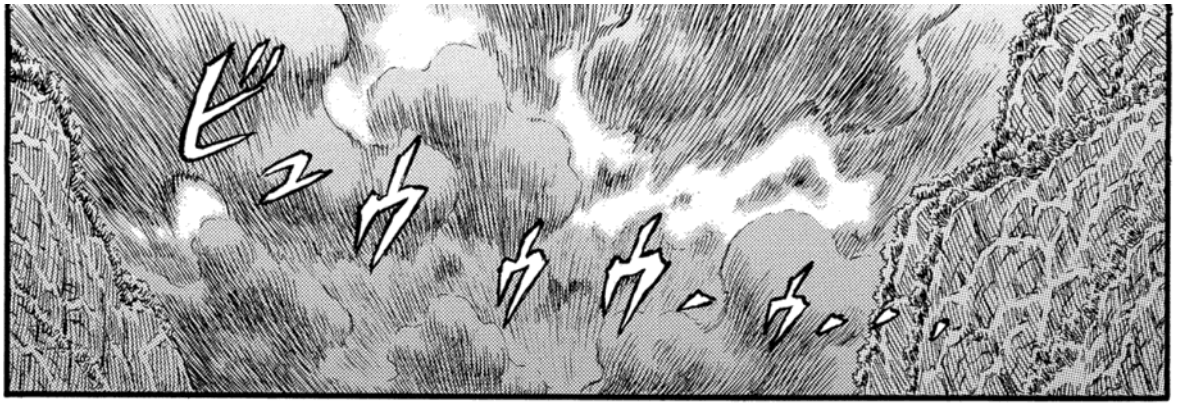
BLOWING
ANYWHERE AND
EVERYWHERE...

...FETTERED
TO NOTHING...

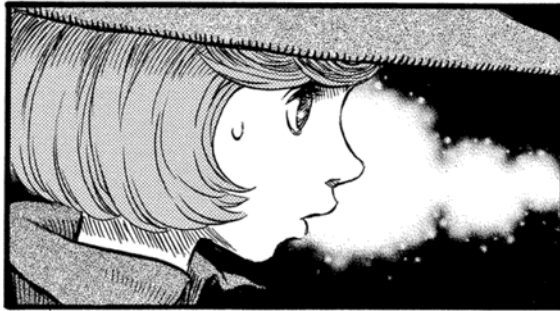


THEY ARE
WHAT IS
MOST ALIEN
TO ME.

IT IS
IRONIC.

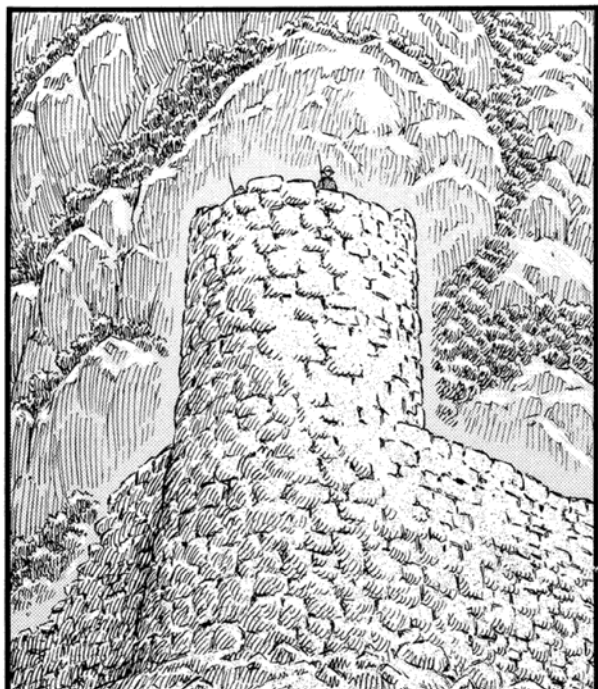
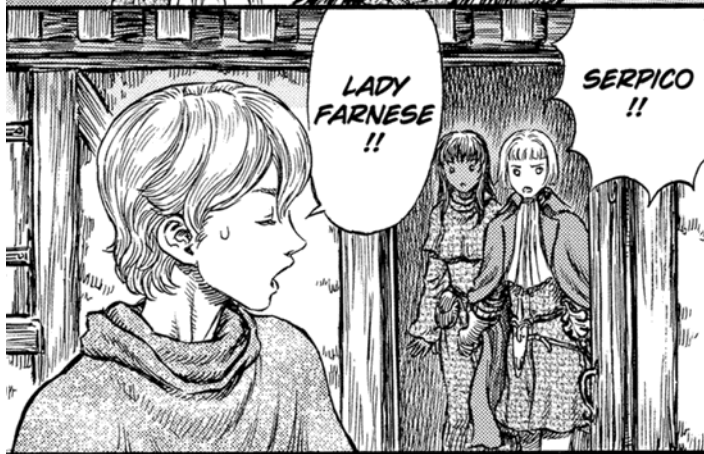


*FX: VYUUUUU



*FX: CAWWWW CAWWWW

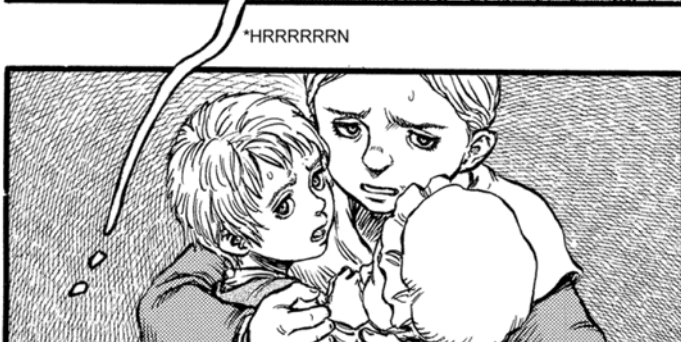
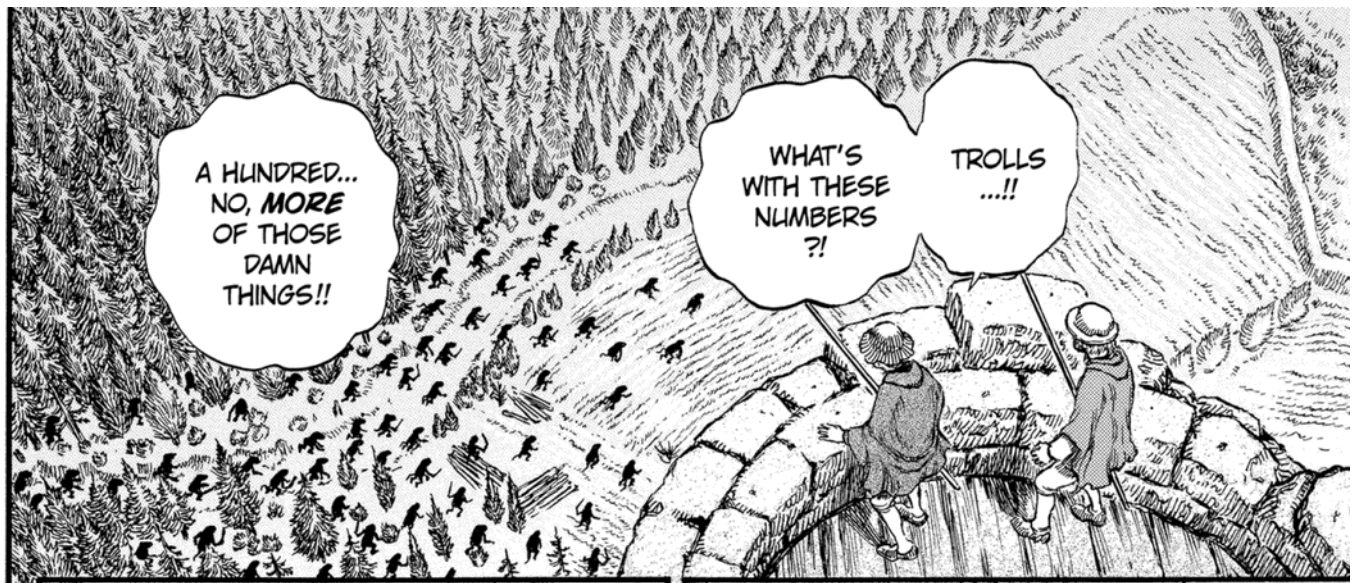




*FX: CAWWWW CAWWWW









IT'S A HUGE
PACK OF
TROLLS!!

EVERYONE
TO THE
CHURCH!!



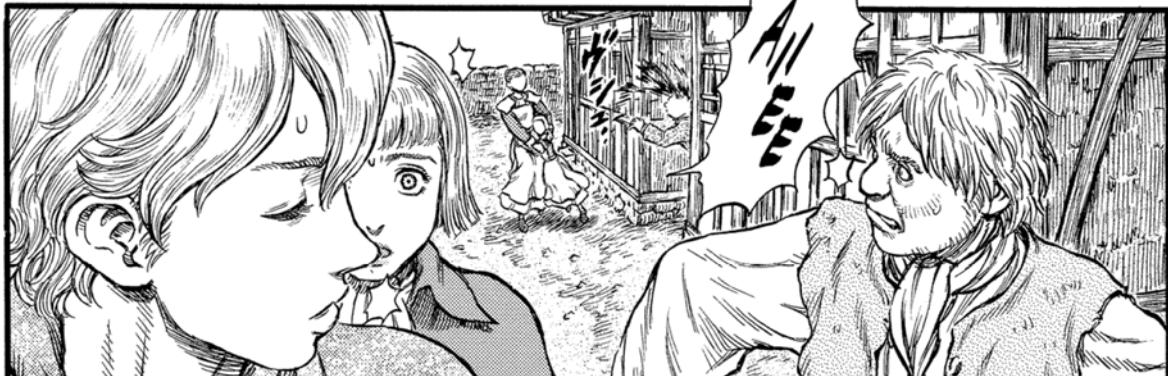
ANYWAY, LET
US GO TO
THE CHURCH.
ALL THE VIL-
LAGERS ARE
GATHERING
THERE.

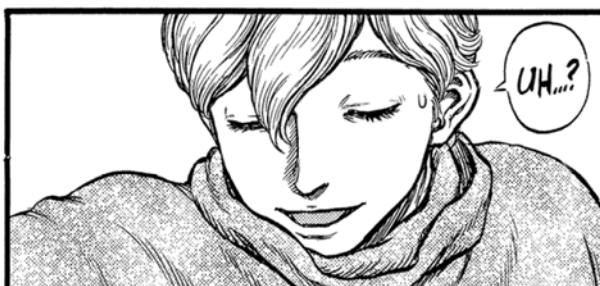
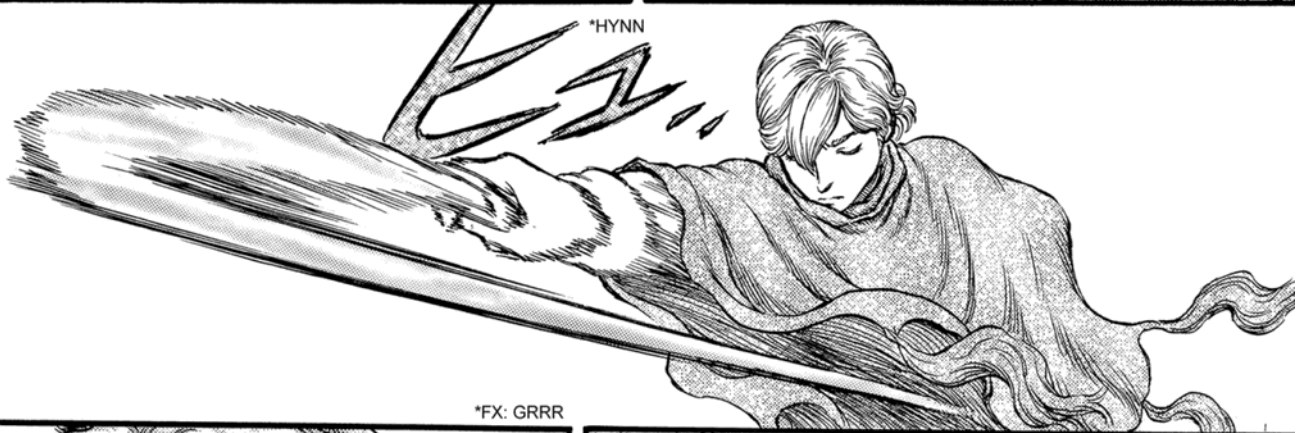
WE DID,
TOO.

I GOT THAT
THOUGHT TRANS-
FERENCE ALREADY!
SURE IS HANDY!

CREEPY,
THOUGH!

*FX: DSSH







SPIRITS...
SPIRITS...



REMEMBER
SCHIERKE'S
WORDS
!!

SERPICO
!!

ELEM-
ENTA!

OH...
THAT'S
RIGHT.

BE
PRECISE!

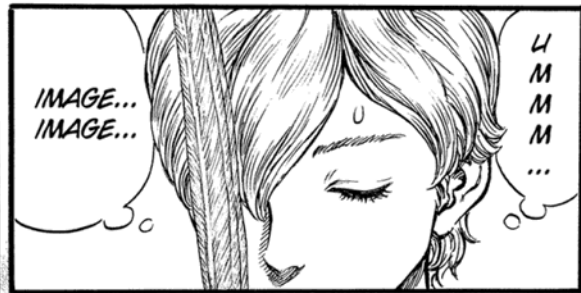
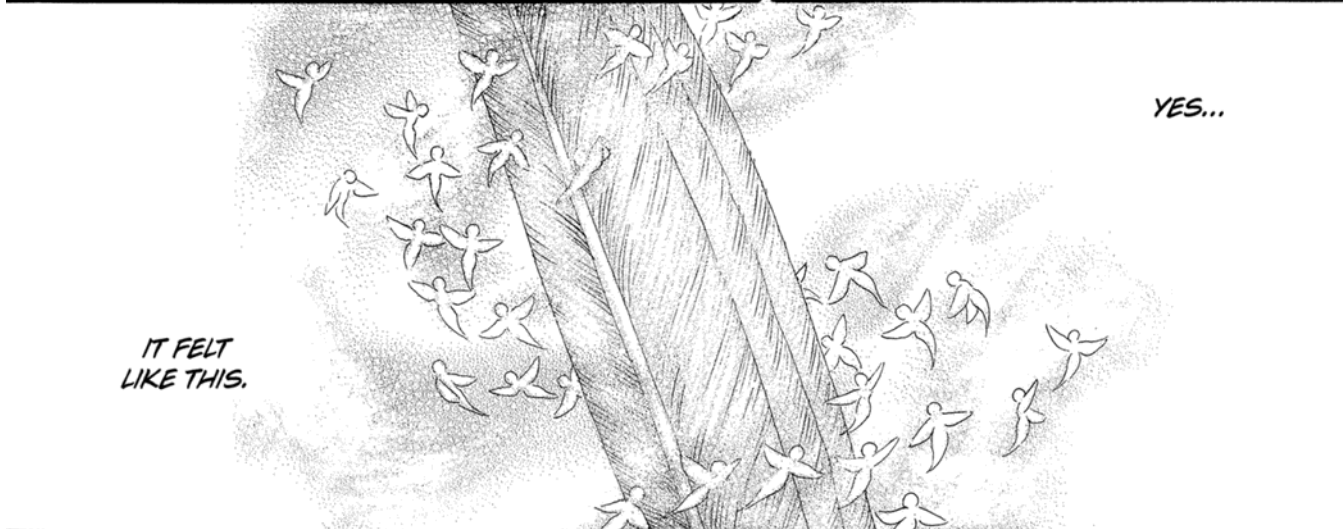


IMAGE...
IMAGE...

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YES...

IT FELT
LIKE THIS.



IGHH!

AGGHH!

WHOA!
HERE THEY
COME!

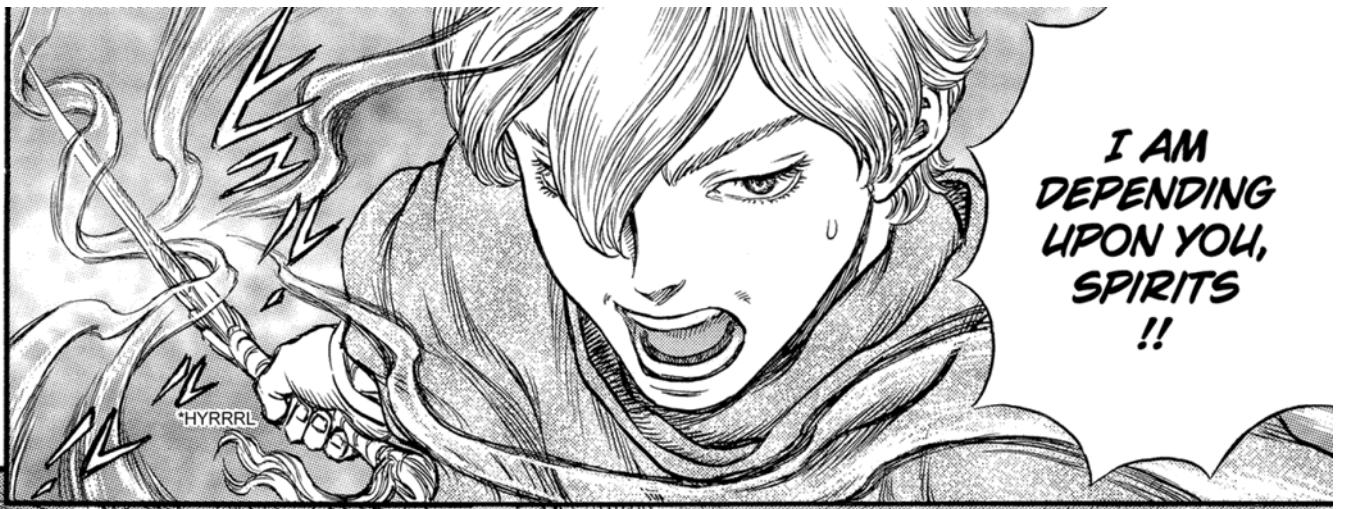
*ZHA

*ZHA

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*ZHA

*ZHA



I AM
DEPENDING
UPON YOU,
SPIRITS
!!

*HYRRRL

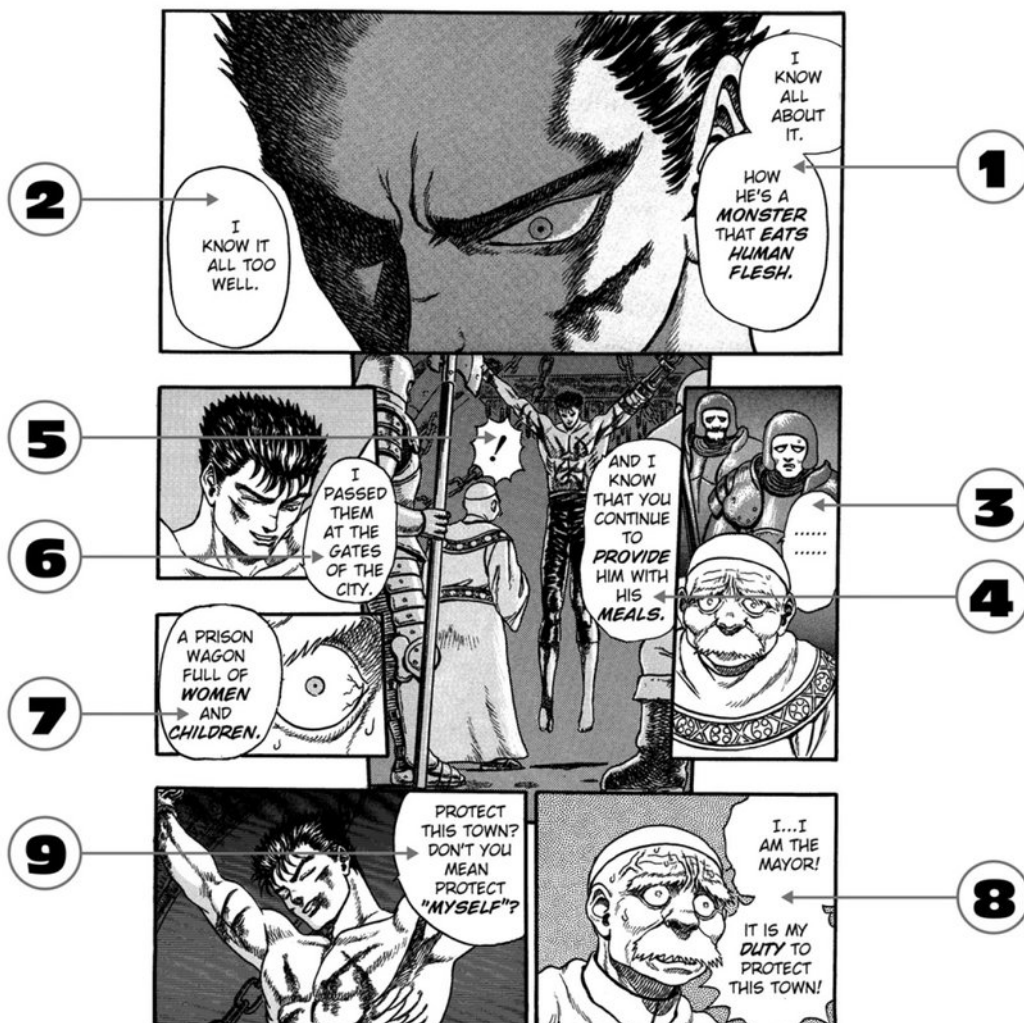


*SHOMM

STOP

This is the back of the book!

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BERSERK

**KENTARO
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Desperate to find a sanctuary where his lover, Casca, will be safe from the demons drawn to her Brand of Sacrifice, Guts the Black Swordsman pushes his motley band of followers onward toward fairy Puck's homeland, Elfhelm. With new allies who make their home in a mystically guarded woodland paradise, Guts' goal seems within reach, but danger lurks in the shadows of even the most dazzling utopias, and even fairy witchery may not protect Guts and his companions from an army of marauding, murderous trolls!

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